

Rutland Rec Softball League
Men's D: Private Eyes vs. VAC, MN
Women's B: Cotrupi Builders vs. Uncle Sam's, NE
Men's A: Sal's/Magic Brush vs. Dart Mini Mart, MS
Men's B: Phil's Discount vs. Price Chopper, Gio
Men's C: CJ's vs. Private Eyes, MF
Men's D: American Legion vs. Marble Bank, JFC

Rutland Rec Softball
Women's C: McDonald's 24, Hogge Penny 13
Women's C: RS&C vs. Green Mtn. Peddler, DNR
Men's B: Phil's Discount 17, Uncle Sam's 0
Men's C: Phillips & Sons 16, Private Eyes 9
Men's C: CJ's 16, Magoo's/Security Pacific 9
Men's D: CVPS Rec. Club 12, Private Eyes 0

San Gordon in Concert
BURLINGTON, Donation, Last Elm Cafe, 160 North Winooski Ave, 8 p.m., 658-7458.

Tamah in Concert
BURLINGTON, Samsara, Church Street, 9 p.m.

Alley Concerts
RUTLAND, Lunchtime concert, Center Street Alley, noon-1 p.m., Alli Lubin entertains with acoustic music.

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Youth Leagues
Rutland County Jr. League
Fair Haven 15, Rutland Town 9 — Winning pitcher: Chris Adams. Save: Josh Frost. Hitting stars: Chris Adams (4-for-4), Jim Morris (3 hits) and Mike Vaughn (3 runs scored).
Post 31 18, Castleton 8 — Winning pitcher: Joe Brown. Hitting stars: Pat McCormick and Brown.
Rutland County Sr. League
Rutland VFW 7, 1201 6 — Winning pitcher: Angel Shannon. Hitting star: Jason Ladabouche. Defensive play: Adam Metzler.
Manchester 4, Mill River 3 — Winning pitcher: Clint Hazelton. Hitting stars: Hazelton, Matt Scieszka, Blair Mone, Todd Sirak.
Rutland Town 14, West Rutland 5 — Winning pitcher: Joben Fineberg. Hitting stars: Jake Conway, Brady Ryan, Dan Godbut and Aaron Carbonneau.
Town & Country Little League

Youth Leagues
Rutland County Youth League
Proctor Red Sox 6, Proctor A's 5 — Winning pitcher: Scott Allenby. Hitting star: Allenby (3 RBI).
Rutland County Sr. League
Rutland Town 17, VFW 4 — Winning pitcher: Joben Fineberg. Hitting stars: Greg Snow, Brady Ryan, Dan Godbut, Chris Couture and Jamie Girard.
Ludlow 11, Rutland 1201 6 — Winning pitcher: Jim Glidden. Hitting: Team effort.
Manchester 29, Poultney 1 — Winning pitcher: Lee Bullock. Hitting stars: Clint Haseltine, Tom Latourrelle and Blair Bartlett.
West Rutland 16, Otter Valley 7 — Winning pitcher: Chris DeLong. Hitting: Team effort.

Noontime Concert
The free concerts in Center Street Alley continue Thursday, July 20, when Tim Caira performs acoustic guitar popular music. This is the seventh of 16 concerts in the Center Street Alley Lunchtime Concert Series.
The show begins at noon, lasts one hour, is open to all ages and is free of charge.



Sports Scan

Senior Softball

The Rutland Recreation and Parks Department's Godnick Center will conduct a softball practice for men and women age 50 and over at the Max Fineberg Field on Monday, July 10 at 9:30 a.m. The practice is open to all that are interested and further information can be obtained by contacting **Lori Manning** at 773-1853.

Diving Classes

The Rutland Recreation Department will be holding springboard diving classes at White's Pool this summer. Adults will be welcome to the camp which will be taught by Olympian **Glen Whitten**. The series will begin on July 10, 24 and Aug. 7 and each series will consist of ten classes held Monday through Friday over two weeks. There will be a sign-up, classification and free lessons offered on July 4-6 from 11 a.m. to noon. The fee for the series is \$10.

former Dana School building
Monday through
10 to noon and 1 to 5 p.m.
amount is limited. For information
773-1822.

Rutland Rec Softball
Women's B: Uncle Sam's vs. CJ's, DNR
Women's B: Private Eyes 21, CV/Catamount 5
Women's C: Vermont Pasta 15, Cripple Creek 7
Men's B: Densmore Electric 15, Keith's II/Private Eyes 6
Men's C: G.E. Yellow Jackets 10, Bargain Country 9
Men's D: Cripple Creek 23, Buccaneers 10

Saturday's Events

Legion Baseball
Rutland at Addison County, 1 p.m.
So. Royalton at Barre
Fair Haven at Montpelier
Chester at Bellows Falls
N.Y.-Penn League
St. Catherine at Vt. Expos, 2:05 p.m.

Community News

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Women's A: Two Sheas 10, Godnicks/Private Eyes 9
Women's B: CJ's Suds South 7, Ferrara Const./Private Eyes 4
Men's A: KC's Tavern 6, Johnson Energy 3
Men's B: Private Eyes 17, Mr. C's 3
Men's C: Center St. Saloon 6, Magoo's/Security Pacific 5
Men's D: Pizza Delight 16, Private Eyes 9

Thursday's Events

Legion Baseball
Chester at Windsor, 6 p.m.
Minor League Baseball
Vermont Expos at New Jersey, 7:05 p.m.
Rutland Rec Softball
Women's A: Cripple Creek vs. Private Eyes, MN
Women's C: Green Mtn. Peddlers vs. McDonald's, NE
Men's A: Farrell Distributors vs. Carey's Auto, MS
Men's B: Nailers vs. Keith's II/Private Eyes, Gio
Men's C: Phillips & Sons vs. Bargain Country, MF
Men's D: Buccaneers vs. VAC, JFC

Youth Leagues

Rutland City Midget League
First Vermont Bank 6, Kiwanis 5. Winning pitcher — Tony Trombetta. Hitting star — Brooks Foley.
Moose 19, Elks 0. Winning pitcher — John Murphy. Hitting stars — Scott Drew, Josh Finley and Cory Czarnecki.

Town & Country Little League
Rutland Town Giants 13, Barston Red Sox 12. Winning pitcher — Chad Drake. Hitting stars — Drake, Nick Marro, Seth Wilson and Brendan Hurlbut.

Junior League
Rotary Expos 19, Rotary South 2. Winning pitcher — Matt Marro. Hitting stars — Jeff Sinos and Tom Connolly.
Fair Haven 15, Castleton 5. Winning pitcher — Chris Adams. Hitting stars — team effort.
Proctor 7, Post 31 6. Winning pitcher — Jeremy Jones. Hitting stars — team effort.
Poultney 9, Ludlow 5. Winning pitcher — Jesse Willard. Hitting stars — team effort.
Mill River 20, Benson 2. Winning pitcher — Josh Cecot. Hitting stars — team effort.
Pittsford 12, Granville (N.Y.) No. 2 7. Winning pitcher — Richard Enlicki. Hitting stars — team effort.
Manchester 11, Rutland Town 6. Winning pitcher — Paul Mulroy. Hitting stars — Steve Hubner, 3-for-3, Bob Yelinski, 3-for-4.
(From Monday) Mill River 10, Granville 29. Winning pitcher — Chris Williams. Hitting stars — team effort.

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Women's B: WJJR 10, Green Mtn. Bank 5
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Family Fun Night

"Family Night of Fun in the Sun" will be held Friday evenings, July 14 and 28, and Aug. 11 and 25 at White's Pool from 5:30 to 8 p.m. The pool party will feature a disc jockey and free hot dogs and soda. The fee is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children.

Seven to Sunset Concert
RUTLAND, Barbeque Brass plays for concert series, Main Street Park, 7-9 p.m.

Youth Leagues

Rutland County Jr. League
Rutland Rotary Expos 18, Proctor 8 — Winning pitcher: Josh Polgar. Hitting stars: Jeff Sinos, P.J. Mallon and Scott Aprilliano.

Wednesday's Events

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Rutland vs. Hartford at Dartmouth College, 6 p.m.
Barre at Montpelier
So. Royalton at Addison, 6 p.m.
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Aldermen

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partment's programs — sports, cultural, or otherwise. The program director's position is currently vacant.

Alderman John P. Cassarino also was chagrined, and told an apologetic Dahlin as much.

"We're getting this here at literally the midnight hour," Cassarino said. "Where were you? Why didn't we hear about this?"

Dahlin said at the meeting he was struggling to keep his department's cultural programs on line, because the more senior position of program coordinator is currently vacant.

"Maybe I've made a mistake here," Dahlin said. "Maybe if I could just beg you to help me through the summer..."

At issue was a position originally created in January to promote and administer cultural events such as the lunchtime concert series in Center Street Alley. The job, filled by Pamela Monder, was funded in fiscal 1995 out of program revenues rather than taxpayer dollars.

The new fiscal year started July 1, and Wennberg hoped that \$4,000 in revenues Monder was expected to bring in could be used to pay for the position for another three months.

Even though city policy requires that all new positions be approved by the Board of Aldermen, Monder continued her work past July 1. Wennberg and Dahlin were alerted by Alderman Samuel J. Gorruso that there might be confusion about the matter. He called Dahlin last week to ask what the story was.

Gorruso works for WJJR, which has joined other businesses in sponsoring the lunchtime series in the alley through advertising in a promotional flyer. Gorruso argued strenuously Wednesday for keeping the position, saying it was good for his and other businesses, as well as for the city.

Board President David W. Sagi said later he probably should have asked Gorruso to temporarily step down from the board before addressing the matter, to avoid the appearance of a conflict of interest.

But Gorruso said he did not have a conflict. "I don't make any money on it at all," he said. "It's a win-win for Parks & Recreation, and it's a win-win for WJJR ... or any company."

He did not abstain from either the discussion or the voting. His arguments during the meeting were in response to a memo from Wennberg that aldermen found on their desks.

"We have not interpreted the board's action as eliminating the position, but eliminating tax sup-

port for the position," Wennberg wrote. "If this is inconsistent with the wishes of the board, or if I have misunderstood your wishes through the budget, please so advise me and I will make the necessary changes."

The board members who rejected the proposal responded in no uncertain terms. Even Alderman Paul G. Clifford, chairman of the Recreation Committee and the only member who originally favored continuing the position, said he was unhappy with the way the matter was handled.

"As far as I was concerned, this issue was dropped until Alderman Gorruso approached me," Clifford said. "I just don't like the way this was presented here tonight."

Aldermen did express some sympathy for Dahlin's staff shortage. Clifford moved that the issue be returned to the mayor for further consideration, possibly to include hiring an interim program coordinator until a permanent worker can be found.

That motion passed unanimously.

After the meeting, Wennberg said he would eliminate the special events coordinator position. "They set me straight and we will make all the necessary changes immediately," the mayor said.

But he also maintained that a program director would not have the time to do the intensive promotion and fund-raising Monder has done. He added that hiring an interim program director would cost taxpayers more than simply keeping Monder on for that period.

That is because Monder's position was to be funded without any tax dollars, relying instead on the \$4,000 she was expected to raise through promotional items such as the flyer. But an interim program director would receive a salary from tax dollars, worth about \$7,500 over three months, Wennberg said.

COMMON MARKET IN CENTER ST. ALLEY

sponsored by:
**RUTLAND PARKS & RECREATION
VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA #1**

The first ever event will be held in the Center St. Alley behind Pappy's Restaurant and will consist of a flea market, farmer's produce and various other vendors. This event is open to all vendors on a first come basis. Vendors fee is \$5.00 per space and there are 30 spaces with electricity.

Dates for this event are as follows: July 8, 1995, 8 to 3
Aug 5, 1995, 8 to 3
Sept 2, 1995, 8 to 3
Oct 7, 1995, 8 to 3

Public is welcome and encouraged to help us celebrate downtown Rutland.

For further information, contact: Steve Faye at 773-7305

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partment will hold auction on Sat. July 15 at 9:30am at the Belmont Sub-Fire Station. Call 259-2365.

AUCTION

Pittsford - Lions Club seeking donations for auction to be held Aug. 1. Call Sylvia at 773-6039 or Jason Robtoy 483-9986.

- JULY -

THURSDAY 6

Rutland - Summer concert series at Grace Congregational United Church at 7:30 pm in the Sanctuary. Free will offering.

Rutland - Rutland Free Library offers Children's Film Festival at 1:30 PM in the Fox Room. For info call 773-1860.

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FRIDAY'S GAMES

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Senior Council

Rutland Council of Senior Citizens will hold its next regular meeting Monday, July 10, at the Rutland senior center. A catered supper will begin at 5 p.m. A social will follow.

Program To Use Alley's Potential

By FREDERICK BEVER
Herald Staff

The Center Street Alley is a diamond in the rough that just needs a little buffing, according to Recreation Superintendent Leif Dahlin.

The terraced plaza behind Center Street, with entryways on Center and Wales Street and Washington Avenue, usually sees the most action on nights that McLeod's Compass Rose features live music there.

But in recent weeks a more aggressive publicity program (and free soda) has attracted hundreds to the city's lunch hour concerts each Tuesday and Thursday.

It's all part of the plan, Dahlin says, to maximize the "bohemian" potential of the place.

On Saturday, the first in a series of open air "bazaars" is slated to start. Sponsored jointly by the Recreation Department and the Veterans of the Vietnam War, the event will feature vendors selling anything from flea market fare to crafts to farm produce.

The festivals are planned for the first Saturday of every month through October.

John Bergeron, president of the local chapter of the veterans' association, said he hoped the event would draw vendors who had been unable to get into other markets restricted by a jury that decides who can sell and who cannot.

Part of the \$5 space fee would go to the veterans' organization, which is in the midst of a membership and funding drive.

The veterans will also have a booth at the event, providing information and memorabilia.

Space in the alley will be on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Dahlin said he hoped that in time, the event would become a major draw to the downtown area on Saturdays.

"We eventually hope to have it hitting all the senses — the sights, the sounds, the smells, the tastes," Dahlin said. "We should take that Bohemian atmosphere and utilize it."

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Alley

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Despite that regard for Bohemian pleasures, the trippy gray mural that diners on the patio of Pappy's restaurant have eyed from across the alley for nearly a decade will be painted over with a new design.

Dahlin said that a grant to the Crossroads Arts Council will pay for artist Pamela Moder to create a mural that looks like a stage backdrop.

The new scenery could become the setting for a series of evening concerts Dahlin hopes to put together. He suggested that bands such as Satin & Steel, the popular horn-blowing crew, would bring an

unprecedented number of listeners to the alley.

As for those neighboring residents who might not be so enamored of blaring trumpets, Dahlin said he would work with places such as the Bardwell House to make sure residents are not inconvenienced.

Dahlin said that as city residents

realize the potential of this jewel in their midst, he may find it easier to raise money for needed improvements, such as a changeover in lighting and shoring up the decaying brick work.

"Once you get in (to the alley), I don't care who you are, it's just got a wonderful feeling," he said. "It's one of the city's best-kept secrets."

Letters to the Editor

Enjoy Concerts Downtown

With all the hard work and long hours of planning that go into events for the community, it is gratifying to see the Rutland Herald in attendance and later to have those efforts recognized in the pages of the newspaper. I refer specifically to the color photographs of two recent events in which the Rutland Recreation and Parks Department participated: the Mayor's Walk for Fitness and the Center Street Alley Lunchtime Concert Series.

It is important to clarify, and I would be doing all our co-sponsors a disservice if I did not, that the Mayor's Walk for Fitness was co-sponsored by the Rutland Area Visiting Nurse Association and RRPD. The walk check-in was located in Center Street Alley where RRPD, Rutland Partnership, WJJR 98.1, and Pepsi-Cola Bottling of Rutland and Burlington had already begun a free lunchtime concert series on June 20. The photo caption incorrectly identified the sponsors of the Center Street Alley Lunchtime Concert Series in which Rick Reding-

ton's marvelous performance was actually the third of 16 concerts taking place Tuesdays and Thursday, noon till 1 p.m. in the alley. The enthusiastic Walkers for Fitness added their applause to that of an already faithful lunchtime audience, making two great events even better.

The next concert was on Thursday, July 6, featuring the Celtic tunes of Wind That Shakes the Barley. A total of over 400 people of all ages attended the first four shows. RRPC, Rutland Partnership, WJJR, and Pepsi invite everyone to take a midday break and come to Center Street Alley Tuesdays and Thursdays (with the exception of Aug. 8's "Winter in August") until Aug. 17 for the remaining free concerts. Come join our sponsors and a lively audience, and enjoy the talents of a variety of Vermont musicians in lovely downtown Center Street Alley.

PAMELA P. MONDER
(Special Events Coordinator,
Rutland Recreation Center)
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"That's where my leerness lies," Davis said. "There needs to be more communication and there's not been a lot."

Wennberg said that might be the case. But he added: "I don't see how we have any other option at this point (than hiring at the Grade 9 salary) — I think the board has closed off all other options."

Monder herself said she regretted having been caught up in the political fracas.

"I'd like to feel removed from the political aspect of the position," Monder said. "I don't think we realized that the newness of the position would create controversy. I wish it had happened another way."

She added that her real interest was in getting the job done. "What I'm hoping to do is offer the citizens sports and entertainment opportunities at a cost they can afford."

A former resident of Schoharie, N.Y., Monder said she had previous administrative experience organizing conventions.

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Rec Post Filled

Fired Coordinator Gains Interim Job; Conflict Not Over

By FREDERICK BEVER
Herald Staff

Pamela Monder's Recreation Department job has become a political football.

Mayor Jeffrey N. Wennberg concedes that his administration fumbled by keeping Monder on as a special events coordinator even though the Board of Aldermen had never approved the post and eliminated taxpayer funding for it from the new budget that started this month.

He attempted to gain lost ground this week by appointing Monder to an interim position as the department's overall program director. But one board member said she was still unhappy with the situation and wanted the full board to review it.

At issue is Monder's hiring this week to work for three months as the Recreation Department's program director. She had been working since January on a part-time basis as a special events coordinator, organizing events such as the Center Street Alley lunchtime concert series.

When the administration this spring asked for the position to continue into the fiscal year that began this month, the board's Recreation Committee balked, and eliminated funding for it from the city budget.

But Wennberg and Recreation Superintendent Leif Dahlin decided to keep Monder on, planning to pay her from revenues produced by her own fund-raising rather than through the general fund budget.

That plan was scuttled last week, however, when the full board became aware of the situation and directed the mayor to eliminate the position. Wennberg now says he

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Left photo: Kayla DelBianco, 4, of Rutland welcomes eight-year-old Monique Matthias, who just arrived from New York City as part of the Fresh Air Fund. Right photo: James Kelly Wade participates in the half-pipe skating competition Sunday at Giorgetti Park in Rutland.



Hershey Track

There will be a practice Wednesday at 9 a.m. at Rutland's Alumni Field for those participating in the Hershey Track Meet. There is a \$5 entry fee which should be paid in practice. This year's meet will be held on Saturday, July 15 at Burlington High at 9:50 a.m.

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Herald Staff

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Mayor Jeffrey N. Wennberg concedes that his administration fumbled by keeping Monder on as a special events coordinator even though the Board of Aldermen had never approved the post and eliminated taxpayer funding for it from the new budget that started this month.

He attempted to gain lost ground this week by appointing Monder to an interim position as the department's overall program director. But one board member said she was still unhappy with the situation and wanted the full board to review it.

At issue is Monder's hiring this week to work for three months as the Recreation Department's program director. She had been working since January on a part-time basis as a special events coordinator, organizing events such as the Center Street Alley lunchtime concert series.

When the administration this spring asked for the position to continue into the fiscal year that began this month, the board's Recreation Committee balked, and eliminated funding for it from the city budget.

But Wennberg and Recreation Superintendent Leif Dahlin decided to keep Monder on, planning to pay her from revenues produced by her own fund-raising rather than through the general fund budget.

That plan was scuttled last week, however, when the full board became aware of the situation and directed the mayor to eliminate the position. Wennberg now says he

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Job

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made a procedural error by not seeking prior board approval.

Still, board members were aware that Dahlin's department was understaffed, because the former program director, William Holland, had resigned to take another job. The board approved a motion urging the mayor to consider an interim appointment to that post.

Wennberg approved Monder's appointment to the job on Monday. But Alderwoman Sharon A. Davis, the most vocal critic of the administration's handling of the affair, said she still was not satisfied.

"We authorized the mayor to fill an interim position, we did not authorize a salary," she said Monday.

The board had recently approved increasing the program director's position to a "Grade 9" job with a starting salary of roughly \$30,000. That would translate into pay of roughly \$7,500 for 60 days of work — \$3,500 more than Monder would have been paid as a part-time special events coordinator.

And all of her new salary will be

paid from the taxpayer-supported general fund, while the special events coordinator was to be paid from revenues produced by department programs.

It was not clear on Monday, however, whether Monder would work in the interim position on a full- or part-time basis.

Davis believes the interim program director should get less than Grade 9 pay. "The job description is pretty extensive — I'm not sure that this person has the qualifications to warrant a Grade 9 position," she said.

Wennberg said that was the only grade at which he could pay the salary for the work.

"We don't have the authority to pay her less," Wennberg said. "The determination of whether she is able to live up to the expectations of the job description is up to the department head."

Wennberg and Davis agreed that there was a communication gap between the board and the administration on the issue.

"That's where my leanness lies," Davis said. "There needs to be more communication and there's not been a lot."

Wennberg said that might be the case. But he added: "I don't see how we have any other option at this point (than hiring at the Grade 9 salary) — I think the board has closed off all other options."

Monder herself said she regretted having been caught up in the political fracas.

"I'd like to feel removed from the political aspect of the position," Monder said. "I don't think we realized that the newness of the position would create controversy: I wish it had happened another way."

She added that her real interest was in getting the job done. "What I'm hoping to do is offer the citizens sports and entertainment opportunities at a cost they can afford."

A former resident of Schoharie, N.Y., Monder said she had previous administrative experience organizing conventions.



Staff Photo by Albert J. Marro

Below the Surface

Krissy Brown of Proctor glides back to the surface of White Pool in Rutland after swimming around underwater for a while.

Rutland Rec Softball
Women's A: Two Shea's vs. Wayne's Body Shop, Gio
Women's B: Private Eyes Lounge vs. C.J.'s Suds South, NE
Men's A: KC's Tavern vs. Farrell Dist. MF
Men's B: Thread N' Shred vs. Price Chopper, JFC
Men's C: Stoptite vs. C.J.'s, MS
Men's D: Private Eyes vs. Cripple Creek, MN

Youth Leagues

West Rutland Little League
Giants 11, Rockies 6. Winning pitcher — Dan Rifer. Hitting star — (Giants) Mike Converse, (Rockies) team effort.

Junior League
Rutland Expos 9, Rutland Town 3 (Saturday). Winning pitcher — Garrett Griffin. Hitting stars — Josh Polgae, Ryan Campbell.
Rutland Expos 18, Granville No. 2 3. Winning pitcher — Josh Polhar. Hitting stars — Matt Marro, Sean Whittemore.

Unknown Blues Band

The Rutland Recreation & Parks Department presents the Unknown Blues Band on Wednesday, July 12, from 7 to 9 p.m. in Main Street Park, as part of the Rutland Recreation & Parks "Seven to Sunset" Concert Series.

Big Joe Burrell and his Unknown Blues Band have all performed with well-known blues bands. They will be performing blues, jazz and pop music. The concert is free and open to the public.

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Senior Citizens

Rutland Council of Senior Citizens will meet Tuesday, July 25, at Godnick Center. Bring a bag lunch to eat at 5 p.m. before the meeting.

Rutland Rec Softball
Women's C: Vermont Pasta vs. RS&C, p.p.d.
Women's C: Green Mtn. Peddlers vs. Hogge Penny, p.p.d.
Men's B: Phil's Discount vs. Private Eyes, p.p.d.
Men's C: G.E. Yellow Jackets 14, Renegades 9
Men's C: Phillips & Sons vs. Two Shea's, p.p.d.
Men's D: American Legion 14, Magoo's 8

Family Fun Day

The Recreation Department's Family Fun Day will be held Friday, July 28, at the Godnick Center. A chicken barbecue with baked beans, potato salad and watermelon will be served and James Mee will entertain. The cost is \$5 and must be paid at registration. Please register by Monday, July 24.



Statue Vandalized

The Ethan Allen statue on Main Street in Rutland was vandalized with white spray paint on Monday. Rutland City Police are investigating.

Staff Photo by Vyto Starinskas

Rutland Rec Softball
Women's A: Private Eyes 17, Cripple Creek 10
Women's C: McDonald's 14, Green Mtn. Peddlers 6
Men's A: Farrell Distributors 16, Carey's Auto 5
Men's B: Nailers 4, Keith's II/Private Eyes 2
Men's C: Bargain Country 20, Phillips & Sons 15
Men's D: Buccaneers 10, VAC 8

Friday's Events

Legion Baseball
Bellows Falls at Chester, 6 p.m.
Hartford at Brattleboro, 7:30 p.m.
Minor League Baseball
St. Catherine at Vt. Expos, 7:05 p.m.
Rutland Rec Softball
Women's C: Hogge Penny vs. Cripple Creek, NE
Men's B: Densmore Electric vs. Lindholm Sports, Gio
Men's C: Feds vs. Two Shea's, MF
Men's C: Stoplite vs. Renegades, MS
Men's D: Tyler's Team vs. Mago's, JFC
Men's D: CVPS Rec. Club vs. Cripple Creek, MN

Sr. Baseball League

The Rutland Mets and the Middlebury Coyotes breezed to victories in the Vermont Senior Men's Baseball League on Sunday. The Mets defeated Brandon 20-9 and the Coyotes clipped the division-leading Rutland Royals 12-5.

Dan Taranovich led the Mets with four hits and **Kirk Abrahamson** was the winning pitcher.

Mike Pixley had three hits and four RBI and **Dave Kirby** banded out two hits for three RBI to lead the Coyotes. **Mike Rowe** picked up the win for Middlebury. **Jim McKeon** led the Royals with five hits.

Middlebury hosts the Brandon Casella's on July 16 at 10 a.m. at the Middlebury College field.

Senior Highlights

Highlights for July 17-21 at the Godnick Center:

Monday: 9:30 a.m., softball; 10 a.m., piano; 12:30 p.m., canasta.

Tuesday: 9 a.m., line dancing; 1 p.m., Country Crafters; 5 p.m.

Wednesday: 8 a.m., tennis at White's courts; 9:30 a.m., shuffleboard; 1 p.m., pinocle; 1:45 p.m., van leaves for Weston Playhouse.

Thursday: 9 a.m., folk dancing; 10 a.m., canasta; 1 p.m., poker; 1:15 p.m., bingo; 7 p.m., Marble Valley Bridge Club.

Friday: 9 a.m., hike; 10 a.m., flea market, piano; 1 p.m., bridge, whist.

The van is available from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Call 773-1853.

Rutland Rec Softball
Women's A: Cripple Creek 9, Wayne's Body Shop 3
Women's B: CJs Suds 10, South vs. Green Mtn. Bank 4
Men's A: Sals/Magic Brush 14, KCs Tavern 10
Men's B: Phil's Discount 13, Thread 'n Shread 1
Men's C: Stoplite 18, Mago's/Security Pacific 6
Men's D: Tyler's Team 17, American Legion 11

Thursday's Events

American Legion
Bellows Falls at Hartford, 6 p.m.
Brattleboro at Bennington, 8 p.m.
Minor League Baseball
Hudson Valley at Vermont Expos, 7:05 p.m.
Rutland Rec Softball
Women's B: Cotrupi Builders vs. Private Eyes, NE
Women's C: Cripple Creek vs. Green Mtn. Peddlers, Gio
Women's C: McDonald's vs. RS&C, JFC
Men's B: Keith's II/Private Eyes vs. Prive Chopper, MF
Men's C: Center St. Saloon vs. CJs, MN
Men's D: Buccaneers vs. Marble Bank, MS

Youth Leagues

Rutland County Junior League
Proctor 12, Pittsford 7. Winning pitcher — Jeremy Jones. Hitting — team effort.
Poultney 7, Granville 4. Winning pitcher — Ed Groesbeck. Hitting — team effort. Rutland Rotary Expos 20, West Rutland 8. Winning pitcher — Matt Marro. Hitting Stars — Matt Marro, Josh Polgar and Jordan Arbour.
Manchester 27, Granville 13. Winning pitcher — Robbie Gaiotti. Hitting stars — Ricky Dailey and Andrew Zoufaly.
Mill River 16, Proctor 9. Winning pitcher — Jonathan Wilbur. Hitting stars — Team effort.
Mill River 11, Rotary South 1. Winning pitcher — Darren Summers. Hitting stars — Team effort.
Ludlow 16, Benson 2. Winning pitcher — Jason Marino. Hitting star — Nelson Ramirez, 5-for-5 with a home run and triple.

Rutland Rec Softball
Women's B: Private Eyes 21, Cotrupi Builders 9
Women's C: Cripple Creek 15, Green Mtn. Peddlers 4
Women's C: RS&C 13, McDonald's 9
Men's B: Keith's II/Private Eyes 13, Prive Chopper 3
Men's C: CJs 14, Center St. Saloon 10
Men's D: Buccaneers 25, Marble Bank 13

Friday's Events

American Legion
Brattleboro at Windsor, 6 p.m.
Minor League Baseball
Vermont Expos at Hudson Valley, 7:05 p.m.
Rutland Rec Softball
Women's B: Green Mtn. Bank vs. WJUR, NE
Women's C: Hogge Penny vs. Vermont Pasta, JFC
Men's B: The Nailers vs. Lindholm Sports, MF
Men's C: Phillips & Sons vs. 3D's, MN
Men's C: Bargain Country vs. Private Eyes, Gio
Men's D: Pizza Delight vs. Cripple Creek, MS

Youth Leagues

Senior Babe Ruth
Mill River 6, 1201 0. Winning pitcher — Andy Auer. Hitting stars — Team effort.
Rutland Town 12, Benson 8. Winning pitcher — Luke Wortman. Hitting stars — Jake Conway, Artie Coburn, Chris Couture and Jamie Girard.
West Rutland 21, Poultney 6. Winning pitcher — Chris Delong. Hitting stars — Team effort.
Manchester 13, Ludlow 9. Winning pitcher — Lee Bullock. Save — Clint Hazelton. Hitting stars — Hazelton, Blair Bartlett, Blair Mone, Aaron Squires.

Rutland Midget League
Rutland Fuel 12, Rotary South 11. Winning pitcher — Scott Woodhead. Hitting stars — Team effort. Defensive stars — Jim Fitzsimmons, John O'Malley.
Elks 9, Kiwanis 6. Winning pitcher — Joe Stukas. Hitting stars — Ryan Hart with three hits.

All-Star Game

The Rutland County Youth Baseball League will play its all-star games on Sunday at Rutland Town's Northwood Park. The Junior Division game will be at 12:30 p.m. with the senior division stars following at 3. Complete rosters can be found in today's scoreboard section.

Benefit Tourney

The third annual Martin's Softball Tournament to benefit "The Family Connection," a double elimination tourney, will be held July 15-16 at the J. Fred Carbine and Max Fineberg fields in Rutland. The tourney will begin at 8 a.m. The cost is \$100 per team.

There will also be a home run derby. Trophies will be awarded to the top three teams and shirts will be given to the top team.

Anyone interested should contact Rupert, Herb or Bob at 775-3460 by July 12.

Youth Leagues

Rutland County Youth Baseball All Star Game

Senior Division All Stars

Benson's Chris Mulligan, Corey Flinn, Dwight Crowley.
Rutland Town's Jacob Conway, Art Coburn, Joben Fineberg.
Poultney's Dan Foley, David Simons, Peter Kelley.
West Rutland's John McGann, Tom Doty, Chris Delong.
Otter Valley's Jason, McKeen, Brian Shea, Travis Johnston. Rutland VFW's Jason Irish, David Jeski, Angel Shannon.
Rutland 1201's Jared Alexander, Terald Trapana, Richard Emrick.
Mill River's Dustin Blanchard, Nate Sabourin, Andy Auer.
Ludlow's John Woodell, Jim Glidden, Jerry Tucker.
Manchester's Blair Bartlett, Paul Carroccio, Clint Hazelton.

Junior League
Fair Haven's Chris Adams, Joshua Frost.
Manchester's Paul Mulroy, Bob Zelinsky.
Poultney's Noah Illinski, Michael Jones.
Post 31's Jake Eaton, Jesse Baker.
West Rutland's Dan Boudreau, Tim Slater.
Rutland Town, Kyle Wilson, Justin Sabourin.
Mill River's George Peterson, Jon Wilbur.
Proctor's Jeremy Jones, Patrick Rider.
Ludlow's Jason Marino and Sean Gurdak.
Games: Junior League All-Star Games, July 9, 12:30 p.m., Senior League Game, July 9, 3 p.m., Northwood Park. Refreshments will be served.

TOMORROW

THINGS TO DO

Alley Concerts

Rutland, Tom Boise performs acoustic music at lunchtime concert, Center Street Alley, noon-1 p.m., Tom Boise.

Folk Music

Rutland, Tim Caira performs folk music in Center Street Alley, free, noon-1 p.m.

Dancing

Rutland, International folk dancing and line dancing, Godnick Center, Deer Street, 9 a.m.

Seven to Sunset

Rutland, Al Alessi performs in Main Street Park, part of Seven to Sunset series, free, 7-9 p.m.



Photo by Bouchard

City Champs

Suburban Propane won the Rutland City Midget League regular-season championship with a record of 13-1. Pictured, from left, in front are Ryan Sienicki, Joe Callan, Eric Carrara, C.J. Sullivan, Mike Pratt, Ryan Sharp and Ben Burton, In back are coach Jerry Munger, Matt Munger, Pat Pat Hackett, Jon Cook, coach Mitch Cole, Luke Cole, Nick Cupoli, Christine Munger and coach Lee Carrara.

Today

THINGS TO DO

Farmers' Markets

Rutland, Mid-week market at new location behind Kinney Motors, South Main Street, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.; Middlebury, Riverside at the Marble Works, 9 a.m.-noon, wide variety of fresh vegetables, fruits, plants, flowers, baked goods, jams, honey and maple syrup available.

Look at Rutland

Rutland, Guides show historic downtown Rutland to walkers, Rutland Area Cultural Alliance, meet Visitor Center, Main Street Park, 2-3:30 p.m., daily, 747-3590.

Quintessential Brass

Rutland, Seven-to-Sunset Series entertains in Main Street Park, 7 p.m., in case of rain, held in Grace Congregational Church.

THINGS TO DO

Noon Concert

Rutland, Bruce White features relaxing sounds of light rock and folk music, noon, Center Street Alley, bring lunch, free.

Softball

The Rutland Recreation & Parks Department's Godnick Center will hold a softball practice today at 9:30 a.m. for any men and women aged 50 or older who are interested in playing. The practice will be held at the Max Fineberg Field on Temple Street. For further information, call 773-1853.

AUGUST

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Rutland: The Center Street Alley Lunchtime Concert Series continues with performances by Wind That Shakes the Barley on the 1st, Woodchuck's Revenge on the 3rd, and James Mee on the 10th. Sponsored by the Rutland Recreation and Parks Department, the Rutland Partnership, WJJR 98.1, and Pepsi Cola. Free. Call (802) 773-1822 for information.

1-5

New Haven: The Addison County Fair and Field Days will be held at the fairgrounds with activities and demonstrations. Admission. Call (802) 545-2557 for information.

2,9

Rutland: The "Seven to Sunset" concert series presented in Main Street Park by the Rutland Recreation and Parks Department and sponsored in part by Kinney Motors continues with a concert on the 2nd by Marble City Swing Band. The performance on the 9th by Quintessential Brass will conclude this summer's series. Free. Call (802) 773-1822 for information.

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Rutland: The 34th Annual Art in the Park will be held in Main Street Park from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each day. Presented by the Chaffee Center for the Visual Arts, this fine arts and crafts show is sponsored by the Rutland Recreation and Parks Department, Price Chopper, Tents for Events, Casella Waste Management, WEBK, and the Vermont Council on the Arts. Call (802) 775-0356 for information.

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JULY

18,20

Rutland: The Center Street Alley Lunchtime Concert Series co-sponsored by the Rutland Recreation and Parks Department, the Rutland Partnership, WJJR 98.1, and Pepsi Cola continues with concerts each Tuesday and Thursday at noon. Bruce White will perform on the 18th, Alli Lubin on the 20th, Tom Boise on the 25th, and Downtown Brass Company on the 27th. Free. Call (802) 773-1822 for information.

19,26

Rutland: The Killington Music Festival Young Artists presents free noon time concerts, sponsored by Kinney Motors, at the Chaffee Center for the Visual Arts on the 19th, at Parker House on the 26th. An August 2nd concert will be performed at Linden Terrace. These concerts are in addition to their evening series at Killington and other locations. Call (802) 773-4003.

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Rutland: The "Seven to Sunset" concert series continues in Main Street park with Al Alessi on the 19th, the Vermont Symphony Orchestra Quintet on the 26th. The concerts are presented by Rutland Recreation and Parks Department and sponsored in part by Kinney Motors. Free. Call (802) 773-1822 for information.



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Sports Scan

Soccer Camp

There will be a preseason soccer camp for girls and boys in grades 7-12 Aug. 7-11 from 1-5 p.m. at the Giorgetti Park Fields. The camp will meet in all weather, so players should dress appropriately. The camp will cost \$40 for residents and \$46 for non-residents. The lab fee is \$12 and all campers will receive water bottles, a camp t-shirt and a soccer ball.

The camp coaching staff will be Rutland girls varsity soccer coach **Mike Kinsler**, Rutland girls assistant varsity coach **Verna Borden**, Rutland freshman soccer coach **Todd Maxfield**, **Meredith Bagley**, who was Rutland's starting goalie for the past four years and **David Goodspeed**, director of the Great Outdoors/BalanceWorks Sports Training School.

Campers will learn physical and mental training, technical ball skills, game prep and scrimmage play.

Tickets on Sale

The Rutland Recreation & Parks Department has Great Escape and Water Slide World tickets on sale at a discounted price.

Great Escape tickets are \$17 and Water Slide tickets are \$14. We accept only cash or money order.

If you wish to purchase any of these tickets, we are located at the Old Dana Elementary School on 39 East Center Street.

7-25

Recreation Programs

The Recreation Department still has summer program openings. "Safety City" is a day camp designed to teach preschoolers safe habits. "Kid Gladiators" is offered in cooperation with IV Suns Youth Center.

Older children can still choose from Pine Hill or Danamore day camps, with swimming, arts and crafts, hiking, drama and fun all day long.

Sports camps about to begin include Field Hockey Skills, Flag Football, Intro to In-Line, Archery, Cross Training, Wrestling, Rappel and Rock Climbing.

There is open gym four nights a week at the new Rutland High School. There are also arts camps

co-sponsored by the Chaffee Center for the Visual Arts.

Space is still open in Camp Lakota, an outdoor arts and cultural camp for teenagers, and Camp Picasso Weekend for parent and child.

Come in now to register for these offerings at the Recreation Department's new home in the former Dana Elementary School on East Center Street. Call 773-1822 for information.

callers and attendees.

Summer Day Camp

Space is still available in the popular summer day camps: Danamore for grades 1-3 and Pinehill for grades 4-6 and 12-year-olds.

Kids can expect days full of activities such as swimming, camping, hiking, arts and crafts and many new games. The staff-to-child ratio is under state requirements.

Camp Danamore is located at the former Dana Elementary School. Camp Pinehill is located at Giorgetti Park.

Session 4 runs Aug. 7-18 but space is still available in Session 3 on a prorated basis.

The camps are Monday through Friday with flexible hours for drop-off and pick-up. Lunch is provided. We invite you to come to our office and register soon.



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Monday's Results

Legion Baseball
 Hartford 10, Rutland 10
Rutland Rec Softball
 Women's A: Two Shea's vs. Wayne's Body Shop, Gio
 Women's B: Private Eyes Lounge vs. CJ's Suds South, NE
 Men's A: KC's Tavern vs. Farrell Dist. MF
 Men's B: Thread N' Shred vs. Price Chopper, JFC
 Men's C: Stoptite vs. CJ's, MS
 Men's D: Private Eyes vs. Cripple Creek, MN

Tuesday's Events

Legion Baseball
 Rutland at Bellows Falls 6 p.m. (NL)
 Chester at Hartford 6 p.m.
 Bennington at Brattleboro 7 p.m.
Minor League Baseball
 Vermont Expos at Oneonta 7:05 p.m.
Rutland Rec Softball
 Women's A: Cripple Creek vs. Godnick's/Private Eyes, Gio
 Women's C: Vermont Pasta vs. McDonald's, NE
 Men's A: Dart Mini Mart vs. Johnson Energy, MF
 Men's B: The Nailers vs. Mr. C's, JFC
 Men's C: Feds vs. Magoo's/Security Pacific, MS
 Men's D: Pizza Delight vs. VAC, MN

Youth Leagues

Junior League
 Poulney 6, Fair Haven 5. Winning pitcher — Jesse Willard. Save — Noah Illinski. Hitting stars — Team effort.
 Proctor 15, Benson-Orwell 1. Winning pitcher — Pat Rider. Hitting stars — Jason Roberts with five hits, Rider and Ed Upson with three hits each.
 Rotary South 13, Granville No. 2 12. Winning pitcher — Lincoln Porter. Hitting stars — Kevin Bedard.
 Rotary South 8, Pittsford 5 (Saturday). Winning pitcher — Ronan Daly. Hitting stars — Josh Charron, Kevin Bedard.

Rutland Rec Softball

Women's A: Private Eyes vs. Wayne's Body Shop, MN
 Women's B: RS&C vs. Vermont Pasta, NE
 Men's A: Carey's Auto vs. KC's Tavern, JFC
 Men's B: Keith's II/Private Eyes vs. Mr. C's, Gio
 Men's C: Feds vs. CJ's, MF
 Men's D: Tyler's Team vs. CVPS Rec Club, MS

Youth Leagues

Rutland County Jr. League
 Pittsford 5, Mill River 4 — Winning pitcher: Lucas Quenneville. Hitting: Team effort.
 Post 31 15, Granville II 6 — Winning pitcher: Jesse Baker. Hitting stars: Jake Eaton, Jason Wells, Pat McCormick.

Rutland Rec Softball
 Women's A: Private Eyes 15, KC's Tavern 14
 Women's C: Cripple Creek 11, RS&C 7
 Men's A: Sal's/Magic Brush 19, Carey's Auto 15
 Men's B: Densmore Electric 7, Uncle Sam's 1
 Men's C: Center St. Saloon 15, Private Eyes 2
 Men's D: CVPS Rec Club 14, Marble Bank 12

Thursday's Events

Legion Baseball
 Fair Haven at Addison
 Hartford at Windsor
 Bennington at Brattleboro
Minor League Baseball
 Vermont Expos at Oneonta, 7:05 p.m.
Rutland Rec Softball
 Women's B: Green Mtn. Bank vs. Cotrupi Builders, Gio
 Women's C: Uncle Sam's vs. CV/Catamount, MF
 Women's B: WJJR vs. Ferrara Construction/Private Eyes, NE
 Men's B: Keith's II/Private Eyes vs. Lindholm's, JFC
 Men's C: Bargain Country vs. 3D's, MS
 Men's C: Tyler's Team vs. Buccaneers, MN

Youth Leagues

Rutland Midget League
Playoff Quarterfinals
 Eagles 15, First Vermont Bank 10. Winning Pitcher — Eric Reardon. Hitting — team effort.
 Suburban Propane 13, Elks 1. Winning pitcher — John Cook. Hitting stars — Cook, Pat Hackett, Ryan Siemicki.

Rutland Town Little League
 Proctor 12, Rutland Town Red Sox 3. Winning pitcher — Mike Fredette. Hitting stars — Fredette with a three-run home run, Mike Ryan with a triple and three RBI, Tom Welch with three RBI.

Junior League
 Ludlow 11, Proctor 4. Winning Pitcher — Jason Marino. Hitting Stars — Brendon McNamara, Adam LeMire and Andy Brothers.
 Mill River 26, Granville No. 1 5. Winning pitcher — John Kail. Hitting stars — Team effort.
 Manchester 5, Fair Haven 2. Winning pitcher — Paul Mulroy. Hitting stars — Ricky Dailey with two hits, Andrew Zoutaly with three hits.

Senior League
 Mill River 20, 1201 0. Winning pitcher — Matt Esslinger. Hitting stars — Dylan Aines, Will Gage, Andy Auer.

Tuesday's Results

Legion Baseball
 Glen Falls, NY, 8, Rutland 5 (NL)
 Hartford 10, Chester 9
 Bennington at Brattleboro, ppd.
Rutland Rec Softball
 Women's A: Godnick's/Private Eyes 5, Cripple Creek 2
 Women's C: Vermont Pasta 25, McDonald's 24 (completion of suspended game)
 Women's C: Vermont Pasta 22, McDonald's 22 (game suspended)
 Men's A: Dart Mini Mart 14, Johnson Energy 2
 Men's B: The Nailers 4, Mr. C's 2
 Men's C: Feds 16, Magoo's/Security Pacific 3
 Men's D: Pizza Delight 6, VAC 5

Youth Leagues

West Rutland Little League
 Braves 5, Marlins 1. Winning pitcher — Jason Lincoln. Hitting stars — Eric Wenden with two hits for Braves. Defense star — Chris Fowler for Marlins.
 Giants win league championship with 11-1 record.
Rutland Midget League
 Playoff Quarterfinals
 K of C 7, IAFF 2. Winning pitcher — Kyle Bedard. Hitting stars — Seth Bridge, Ryan Lawrence.
 Moose 16, Rutland Fuel 2. Winning pitcher — John Murphy. Hitting stars — Scott Drew, Josh Finley.
Senior Babe Ruth
 Mill River 6, Otter Valley 5. Winning pitcher — John Lees. Hitting star — Zach Ballou.
 VFW 9, Ludlow 8. Winning pitcher — Dave Jeski. Hitting stars — Matt Woods with four hits, Jason Ladabouche with a home run.

Seven to Sunset

Rutland, Al Alessi performs in Main Street Park, part of Seven to Sunset series, free, 7-9 p.m.

Rutland Rec Softball

Women's A: KC's Tavern vs. Private Eyes, Gio
 Women's C: Cripple Creek vs. RS&C, NE
 Men's A: Carey's Auto vs. Sal's/Magic Brush, MF
 Men's B: Densmore Electric vs. Uncle Sam's, JFC
 Men's C: Center St. Saloon vs. Private Eyes, MS
 Men's D: CVPS Rec Club vs. Marble Bank, MN

Line Dancing

Rutland, Godnick Center, Deer Street, 9 a.m.

Brass Quintet

Vermont Symphony Quintet will perform in Park Wednesday, July 1 p.m. as part of the Seven to Sunset series. In case of rain the concert will be held at Grace Congrega-

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Thursday's Results

Legion Baseball
 Hartford 12, Windsor 2
 Bennington 7, Brattleboro 3
Rutland Rec Softball
 Women's B: Green Mtn. Bank 15, Cotrupi Builders 2
 Women's B: Sam's Green Screens 7, CV/Catamount 0
 Women's B: Ferrara Construction/Private Eyes 19, WJJR 7
 Men's B: Keith's II/Private Eyes 11, Lindholm's 9
 Men's C: 3D's 14, Bargain Country 11
 Men's C: Tyler's Team 11, Buccaneers 4

Friday's Events

Legion Baseball
 Hartford at Bellows Falls
 Rutland at Fair Haven
 Chester at Brattleboro
Minor League Baseball
 Vermont Expos at Oneonta, 7:05 p.m.
Rutland Rec Softball
 Women's C: Vermont Pasta vs. RS&C, Gio
 Women's C: Green Mtn. Peddlers vs. Hogge Penny, NE
 Men's B: Phil's Discount vs. Private Eyes, JFC
 Men's C: G.E. Yellow Jackets vs. Renegades, MS
 Men's C: Phillips & Sons vs. Two Shea's, MF
 Men's D: American Legion vs. Magoo's, MN

Golf

Youth Leagues

Rutland Midget League
Playoff Semifinals
 Moose 10, K of C 3. Winning pitcher — Scott Drew. Hitting stars — Drew, Gary West and Josh Finley.
 Suburban Propane 9, Eagles 2. Winning pitcher — John Cook. Hitting stars — Cook, Brian Siemicki and Pat Hackett.
Junior League
 Fair Haven 22, Granville No. 2 5. Winning pitcher — Josh Frost. Hitting stars — Team effort.
Senior League
 Manchester 4, Mill River 3. Winning pitcher — Clint Hazelton. Hitting stars — Blair Bartlett, Brian Mulroy, Todd Sirak, Matt Steath.

Senior Highlights

Highlights for July 24-28 at the Godnick Center:

Monday: 7 a.m., golf; 9:30 a.m., softball; 10 a.m., piano, bus leaves for Peaches Palace; 12:30 p.m., canasta; 1:30 p.m., chorus..

Tuesday: 9 a.m., line dancing; 1 p.m., Country Crafters, bridge and poker; 5 p.m., Senior Council.

Wednesday: 8 a.m., tennis at White's courts; 9:30 a.m., shuffleboard; 12:30 p.m., foot care.

Thursday: 9 a.m., folk dancing; 10 a.m., canasta; 1 p.m., poker; 1:15 p.m., bingo; 7 p.m., Marble Valley Bridge Club.

Friday: 9 a.m., hike; noon, Family Fun Day, piano; 1 p.m., bridge and whist; 1:30 p.m., chorus.

The van is available from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Call 773-1853.

Chaffee Center Shows Art in Park

The year has rolled around to one of Rutland's finest annual gatherings, the Chaffee Center's Art in the Park Summer Festival. This 34th edition, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday in Main Street Park (just drive Route 7 until you can't) anticipates 120 juried fine artists, artisans, and food vendors.

Admission is by donation, with donors eligible for prize drawings. Musicians Lisa Brande and Kevin



By Ed Barna

Parry will entertain, and children can be parked with art projects like tie-dye, origami and eyeglass decoration.

It's the Chaffee's main fund-raiser, along with a similar fall event. Call 775-0356 for more information.

If you're there, cross the road to the Chaffee

for their new exhibition "Large Work By Four Vermont Artists" (Carolyn Shattuck, Lynne Newcomb, Esme Thompson, and "Ricardo") and a special focus on Harry Dayton, through Sept. 10. There's a free, public reception Friday from 5-7 p.m..

Music lovers bid a sad farewell to the Killington Music Festival, which has its final concert Sunday at 7:30 p.m. in the Skyeship Lodge. Call 422-4302 about tickets.

Irish music fans can catch Murphy's Law at McGrath's Irish Pub in Sherburne Pass Friday and Saturday.

In Woodstock, country music comes to the Down by the River series (North Unitarian Universalist Chapel lawn) when Silver and Lace plays Saturday at 7 p.m. Call 457-3981 about tickets.

The dark horse in this week's events could be an Elm Street Arts fund-raiser in Manchester, their "First (And Possibly Last) Annual Sculpture Race." It's free, on Saturday at 5 p.m., followed at 6 p.m. by the Feast of Al Ducci. Call 362-2894 for details.

Onstage, the Phoenix Theatre finishes Ira Levin's comedy-thriller "Deathtrap" Friday and Saturday, then begins "Talley's Folly" by Lanford Wilson Wednesday. Call 747-0234.

The Killington Music Theatre's revue series on Friday begins six days (skipping Monday) of "Musical," ranging from 1850 to contemporary. It's at the Inn of the Six Mountains; call 800-746-8320.

Friday and Saturday are the last chances to see Tennessee Williams' "The Glass Menagerie" at the White River Theatre Festival, in White River Junction's Briggs Opera House. Call 800-639-2520 or 296-2505.

Name That Park 8/10

In-line skaters, BMX bikers and skateboarders can participate in their favorite sport in a safe, supervised environment.

Ramps, jumps, a half-pipe and a street course make the new skate park at Giorgetti Skate Pavilion a great place to spend a summer evening.

But this new skate park needs a name. A contest is under way to find one.

All name suggestions must be made in writing. Put the suggestion

in a sealed envelope with your name, address, telephone number and age, and mail it to: Rutland Recreation and Parks Department, 39 East Center St., Rutland, 05701.

All mailed entries must be postmarked by Aug. 15.

If you would prefer, you can drop off your entry at one of the drop boxes. Drop boxes are located at:

- The recreation office.
- Harlequin Records, 133 Woodstock Ave.
- Mountain Tread-n-Shred, 150 Woodstock Ave.
- The Great Outdoors Trading Company of Vermont, 219 Woodstock Ave.
- Little Devil Airbrushing, 231 South Main St.
- Balance Works at Kirbach Clinic, Mendon.

Drop-off entries must be in the drop boxes by 5 p.m., Aug. 15. All drop-box entries must also include name, address, age and telephone number.

A grand prize will be awarded to the entrant whose name suggestion is chosen for the new skate park. Prizes will also be awarded to runners-up. Prizes include a skateboard, a pair of in-line skates, season-and-a-half park passes, season's passes to White's Pool, customized skate foot beds, CDs and a customizing package.

The park's new name, the winner and runners-up will be announced Sunday, Aug. 20, at the skate park during the Rutland Rampfest-Sky High Skate Series. The event will

take place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Winners need not be present to collect their prizes. If winners are not in attendance, they will be notified.

In the event of a tie, the winner will be chosen in a random drawing.

For more information about the contest or the park, call The Great Outdoors at 775-9989 or Mountain Tread-n-Shred at 747-7080.

8/7/95 Calendar

Today

THINGS TO DO

Look at Rutland

Rutland, Guides show historic downtown Rutland to walkers, Rutland Area Cultural Alliance, meet Visitor Center, Main Street Park, 2-3:30 p.m., daily, 747-3590.

Mural Unveiling

Rutland, Join community in recognizing achievement of young artists of mural in Center Street Alley, 6 p.m.

Intermediate Line Dancing

Rutland, Godnick Center, 9:15 a.m., 773-1853 or 438-2920.

Storyteller

West Rutland, Children, ages 5-12, invited to enjoy stories of "The Good Old Summertime," West Rutland Public Library, 1 p.m., 438-2964.

Health Clinics

Pittsford, Blood pressure and foot care clinic, Village Manor, 11:30 a.m.-finished; Brandon, Senior Center, 2 p.m.-finished.

Air Force Show Band

Pittsford, New Horizons (Air Force Show Band) and First Republic Brass play, Pittsford Fire House, 6:45 p.m., refreshments, free admission; part of open house at Fire House.

Play Bridge

Sherburne, Play duplicate bridge at Snowshed, no partner needed, 1-4 p.m., beverages provided, 422-6755.

Announcements

8/7/95

RHS Class of 1934

Rutland High School class of 1934 will meet for lunch Wednesday, Aug. 9, at 1 p.m. at Panda Pavilion at the Rutland Mall.

Camp Registration

Several camps are still going on at Rutland Recreation Department: Aug. 5-19: In-Line Skating on Saturdays — All ages; Aug. 7-10: Field Hockey Skills Camp — Grades 9-12; Aug. 7-11: Pre-season Soccer Camp — Grades 7-12; Aug. 14-18: Ultimate Cross Training & Conditioning — Grades 1-6 or 7-12; Aug. 21-26: Interactive Archery Sports Camp

Today 8/10

THINGS TO DO

Live Music

Trolley Square, 170 S. Main St., live music by Michael Kelley, 7-9 p.m.

Look at Rutland

Rutland, Guides show historic downtown Rutland to walkers, Rutland Area Cultural Alliance, meet Visitor Center, Main Street Park, 2-3:30 p.m., daily, 747-3590.

Spanish Shipwreck Artifacts

Rutland, Freeman Jewelers on Merchants Row has exhibit of artifacts from famous Spanish shipwreck, The Atocha, 10 a.m.-8 p.m., free, open to public.

Health Clinic

Rutland, Blood pressure and foot care clinic, Sheldon Towers, 10 a.m.-finished; Castleton, Castleton Meadows, 12:30 p.m.-finished; Danby, Tucker Inn, blood pressure only, 12:30 p.m.-finished.

Alley Music

Rutland, James Mee brings original folk music to Center Street Alley's lunchtime concert, noon, free, bring bag lunch for picnic.

FREE CONCERTS

Rutland - Main Street Park, Wednesdays from 7:00 to 9:00p.m. Bring lawn chairs and a picnic supper. In event of rain, concert will be at Grace Congregational.

RUTLAND RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT

ROTARY PRE-SCHOOL PROGRAM

WITH JANE BROWN AND JOAN MCINTOSH SPECIAL REGISTRATION NIGHT

AT THE ROTARY FIELD HOUSE

THURSDAY, AUGUST 24TH, 6:00 - 8:00 P.M.

This program is for 3 & 4 year olds and runs through the school calendar year. For program and fee information stop by on registration night or visit the Recreation and Parks Department. The program will begin Tuesday, September 5th, morning and afternoon sessions are available. For more information give us a call at 773-1822

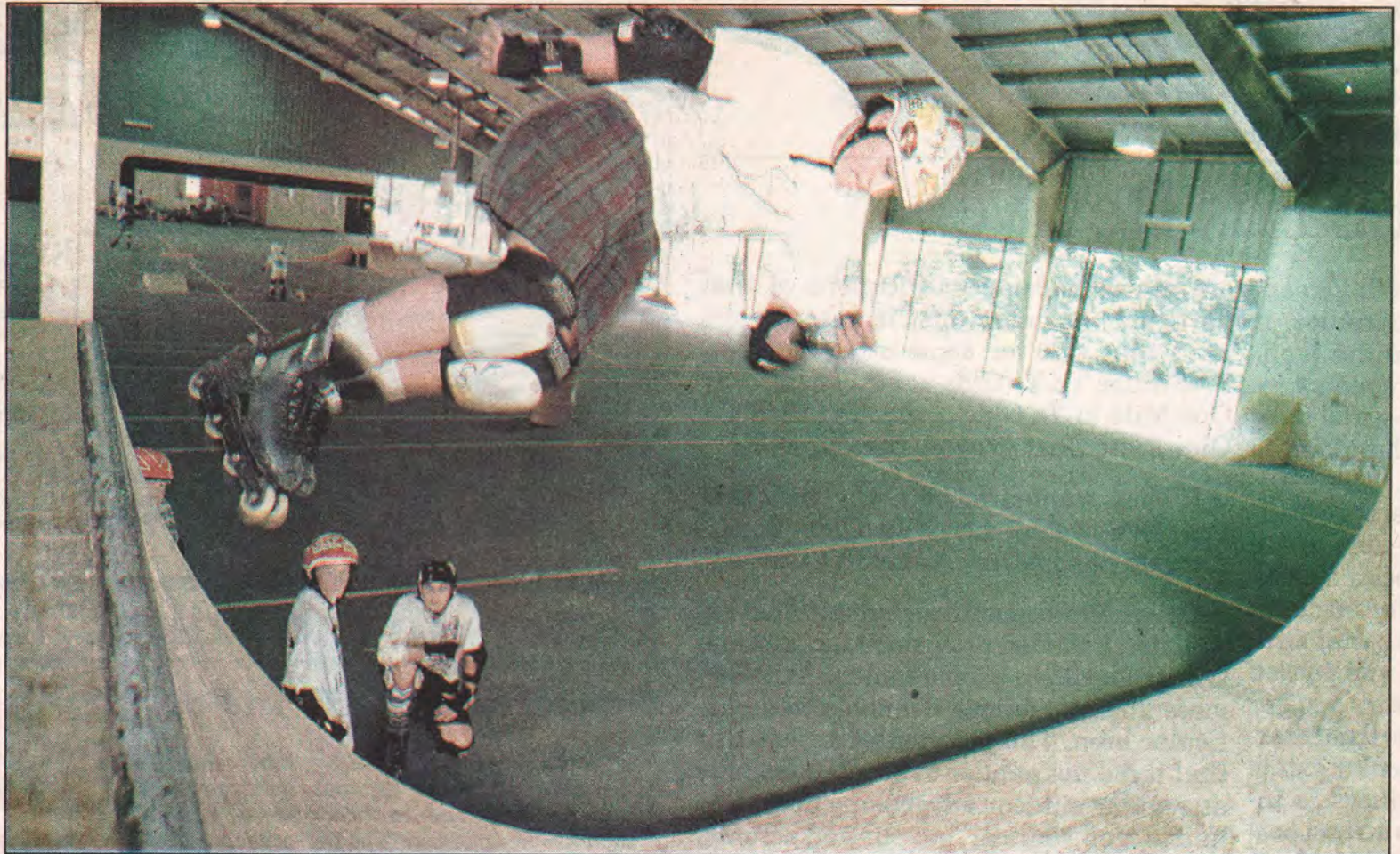


Photo by Christian Wideawake

Myles Cotter-Sparrow goes horizontal in the half-pipe at Rutland City's new skating facility at Giorgetti Park.

On A Roll

Rutland's Youth Skating Park Is Watched by Other Vermont Cities

By KRISTIN BLOOMER
Herald Staff

Rutland's young skaters are on the state's cutting edge.

Their grinds, mutes, cross-mutes and gumbies in the city's Giorgetti Park have drawn the attention of officials in Burlington, Manchester and Ludlow — in addition to young skaters and skateboarders from around Vermont and New York.

At Giorgetti, in an open-sided indoor rink normally used for winter ice skating, the Rutland City Recreation Department and The Great Outdoors BalanceWorks Training School have created a place for kids to skateboard and in-line skate safely, with all the challenges of street skating.

Dave Goodspeed and Frank Sparrow — two of the adult minds behind the endeavor — have built ramps, half-pipes, jumps and rails.

They've offered four days a week of "open skating" for skaters to practice their tricks under adult supervision.

They've also offered a camp where kids can learn all the tricks properly.

"Sure, maybe they've got earrings and all that stuff, but they're 2athletes," Goodspeed said. "And if you approach them as athletes, the problems won't arise."

(See Page 15: Skates)

Chaffee Center for the Visual Arts, 16 S. Main St., Rutland. Sales gallery of Vt. artists, craftsmen, print makers. "Material Language", until Aug. 6. Media includes ceramics, textiles, metals and found objects. A Native American Camp is offered in Aug. for grades 6-

Lunchtime Concert Series, noon-1pm, Center St. Alley, Rutland. Free. 773-1822. July 20: Tim Caira. July 25: Tom Boise. July 27: The Downtown Brass Co.

Seven to Sunset Concert, 7-9pm, Main St. Park, Rutland. Free. 773-1822. July 26: Vermont Symphony Orchestra Brass Quintet.

GRANTS

The Alliance reviews grant requests on a quarterly basis from groups working collaboratively to bring new cultural opportunities to our community. The next deadline for these requests is June 15.

In our last review session, \$1000 was awarded to the Rutland Recreation and Parks Department to create a mural on the exterior of a building in Center Street Alley. Working on the project with Parks and Rec are the Chaffee Center for the Visual Arts, the Rutland Public Schools art department, WJJR FM Radio, Rutland Partnership, and building owner Jack Fenton. This represents an effective collaboration among city government, cultural organizations, and the local business community.

Please call the office for more information about applying for one of these grants.



Staff Photo by Linnea Anderson

Alley Art

Eighteen students helped reproduce James Griffith's artwork as Center Street Alley's new mural, which was unveiled at a reception Monday. The students included (from left) Meghan Martin, Paige Griffin, Nicole Chapleau, Cindy Lefebvre, and Jesse Juliano.

Midday Music 8/12

Tuesday, Aug. 15, in Center Street Alley Bruce White offers a noon concert. His last scheduled concert of acoustic light rock and folk music was rained out.

Bring your lunch and enjoy a midday break in the park where picnic tables are put out on concert days for your convenience. The concert lasts one hour, is free and open to the public.

Youth Leagues 8/9

Rutland County Jr. League Semifinals

Fair Haven 5, Rutland Post 31 3 — Winning pitcher: Chris Adams. Hitting: Team effort.

Rutland County Sr. League

Rutland Town 17, Poulney 2 — Winning pitcher: Artie Colburn. Hitting stars: Jake Conway, Steve Swan and Joben Fineberg.

Mill River 4, Rutland VFW 1 — Winning pitcher: Andy Auer. Hitting stars: Steve Coote, John Lees and Matt Esslinger.

Manchester 18, Ludlow 5 — Winning pitcher: Lee Bullock. Hitting stars: Blair Bartlett, Matt Scheszka, Todd Sirak, Clint Hazeltine and Adam Wilcox.

Rutland Rec Softball

Women's A: Two Shea's 17, Wayne's Body Shop 0

Women's A: Two Shea's 12, Wayne's Body Shop 2

Women's B: CV/Catamount 15, Cotrupi Builders 10

Women's C: Green Mtn. Peddlers vs. McDonald's, DNR

Men's B: Mr. C's 7, Price Chopper 0

Men's C: Rehagades 4, 3D's 3

Men's D: CVPS Rec. Club 13, Buccaneers 2

Men's D: Magoos 14, VAC 13

8/11

Friday's Events

Legion Baseball State Championship Series

Hartford vs. South Royalton, 4 p.m.

N.Y. Penn League

New Jersey at Vermont Expos, 7:05 p.m.

Rutland Rec Softball

Women's C: Hogge Penny vs. Cripple Creek, NE

Men's A: Johnson Energy vs. Sal's/Magic Brush Gio

Men's B: Lindholm's vs. Uncle Sam's, MN

Men's B: Phillips & Sons vs. Magoos/Security Pacific, JFC

Men's C: Center Street vs. G.E. Yellow Jackets, MF

Men's C: Two Shea's vs. Private Eyes, MS

Youth Leagues

Senior League

Tournament Semifinals

Rutland Town 8, Otter Valley 3. Winning pitcher — Artie Colburn. Hitting stars — Jake Conway, Joben Fineberg, Rick Snow and Brady Ryan.

Mill River 7, Manchester 4. Winning pitcher — John Lees. Hitting stars — Dustin Blanchard with a home run, Lees, and Matt Esslinger.

Rutland Rec Softball

Women's A: Private Eyes Lounge 12, Cripple Creek 0, JFC

Women's A: KC's Tavern 10, Godnick's/Private Eyes 6

Women's B: Private Eyes Lounge 9, Ferrara Cont/Private Eyes 6

Men's A: KC's Tavern vs. Johnson Energy, MS

Men's B: The Nailers 6, Thread N Shred 5 (9 innings)

Men's C: Magoos/Security Pacific 12, Baragin Country 11, MF

Men's D: Pizza Delight 12, American Legion 0

Alley Music 8/10

Rutland, James Mee brings original folk music to Center Street Alley's lunchtime concert, noon, free, bring bag lunch for picnic.

Rec. Coaches 8/12

The Rutland Recreation and Parks Department is looking for coaches and officials in youth soccer and flag football. Anyone interested in becoming a coach or official should call the Rec Department at 773-1822.

Assumption Day 8/10

The annual Assumption Day Italian Festival to benefit Mount St. Joseph Academy will be held Friday, Aug. 11, and Saturday, Aug. 12.

It will be hosted both evenings by the Italian American Club on Grove Street, Rutland. Dinner seatings will be from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Bocce courts will be available Friday and Saturday evenings; bingo will be held Saturday evening, beginning at 7 p.m. Tickets are available at MSJ, 775-0151.

Sunday, Aug. 13, after the 11 a.m. Mass at St. Peter's Church, there will be a procession from the church to Monsignor Conner Park, followed by the annual parish picnic. Everyone is welcome.

Senior Highlights

Highlights for Aug. 9-11 at the Godnick Center:

Wednesday: 8 a.m., tennis at White's courts; 9:30 a.m., shuffleboard; 1 p.m., pinochle; 1:45 p.m., van leaves for Weston Playhouse.

Thursday: 9 a.m., folk dancing; 10 a.m., canasta; 1 p.m., poker; 1:15 p.m., bingo; 7 p.m., Marble Valley Bridge Club.

Friday: 9:30 a.m., blood pressure clinic; 10 a.m., piano; 11 a.m., Lunch Bunch leaves for Tozier's in Bethel; 1 p.m., bridge and whist.

The van is available from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Call 773-1853.

WEDNESDAY 9 8/6

Rutland - Quintessential Brass at 7:00 p.m. Main St. Park, in case of rain Grace Congregational Church same time & date.

Rutland Tribune FREE CONCERTS 8-2

Rutland - Main Street Park, Wednesdays from 7:00 to 9:00p.m. Bring lawn chairs and a picnic supper. In event of rain, concert will be at Grace Congregational.



Staff Photo by David Jenne

Water Wheels

Eleven-year-old Josh Pike of Rutland zips through a puddle on the tennis courts at the Meadow Street playground following a brief shower late last week.

Tomorrow

THINGS TO DO

Alley Concerts
Rutland, Downtown Brass performs lunchtime concert, Center Street Alley, noon-1 p.m., Downtown Brass Company.

Festival Recital

Rutland, Killington Music Festival has student recital, Grace Congregational Church, Court Street, 7:30 p.m., free will offering.

Folk Dancing

Rutland, International folk dancing and line dancing, Godnick Center, Deer Street, 9 a.m.

Marble City Swing Band

The "Seven-to-Sunset" series has free concerts on Wednesdays, 7 to 9 p.m., in Main Street Park. On Wednesday, Aug. 2, the Marble City Swing Band entertains. Bring lawn chairs and a picnic supper. In event of rain concert will be in Grace Congregational Church. Call 775-2030 the day of the event, or listen to local radio for update.

Tickets on Sale

The Rutland Recreation & Parks Department has Great Escape and Water Slide World tickets on sale at a discounted price.

Great Escape tickets are \$17 and Water Slide tickets are \$14. We accept only cash or money order.

If you wish to purchase any of these tickets, we are located at the Old Dana Elementary School on 39 East Center Street.

Senior Highlights

Highlights for Aug. 1-4 at the Godnick Center:

Tuesday: 9 a.m., line dancing; 1 p.m., Country Crafters, cards.

Wednesday: 8 a.m., tennis at White's courts; 9 a.m., city residents register for August shopping trip; 9:30 a.m., shuffleboard; 10 a.m., Green Mountain Games meeting; 1 p.m., pinochle.

Thursday: 9 a.m., folk dancing, non-residents register for shopping trip; 10 a.m., canasta; 1 p.m., poker; 1:15 p.m., bingo; 7 p.m., Marble Valley Bridge Club.

Friday: 9 a.m., hike; 10 a.m., piano; 1 p.m., bridge and whist; 1:30 p.m., chorus.

The van is available from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Call 773-1853.

Today

THINGS TO DO

Walking Tour

Rutland, Guided tour of historic downtown Rutland by Rutland Area Cultural Alliance, meet Visitor Center, Main Street Park, 2-3:30 p.m., 747-3590.

Line Dancing

Rutland, Godnick Center, Deer Street, 9 a.m.

Thursday's Events

Legion Baseball
Fair Haven at Rutland, 6 p.m.
Montpelier at South Royalton, 6 p.m.
Brattleboro at Bennington (2)

Minor League Baseball
Pittsfield at Vermont Expos, 7:05 p.m.

Rutland Rec Softball
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Men's C: 3D's vs. Private Eyes, ppd
Men's D: Private Eyes vs. VAC, ppd



Sports Scan

Soccer Camp

There will be a preseason soccer camp for girls and boys in grades 7-12 Aug. 7-11 from 1-5 p.m. at the Giorgetti Park Fields. The camp will meet in all weather, so players should dress appropriately. The camp will cost \$40 for residents and \$46 for non-residents. The lab fee is \$12 and all campers will receive water bottles, a camp t-shirt and a soccer ball.

The camp coaching staff will be Rutland girls varsity soccer coach

Midday Music

Tuesday, Aug. 15, in Center Street Alley Bruce White offers a noon concert. His last scheduled concert of acoustic light rock and folk music was rained out.

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Rutland Swimmers Prep for States

By TOM HALEY
Herald Staff

Lindsey Phillips, Hannah Polgar, Anna Potter and Jill Corey comprise a relay team that is the showpiece of a Rutland swim team that has lost but one meet all season. That 11-12 age group girls' relay unit is unbeaten since they began swimming in the 8-and-under division. Not only that, they hold state records in the 8-and-under and 9-10 age groups.

They are but four of 90 swimmers on this team as the program has become a popular summer activity in the city. Many of those 90 swimmers have qualified for the Vermont State Meet to be held at Dartmouth College on Saturday and Sunday.

Coach Dave Goodspeed has applied the same principles of organization that he has found to be effective coaching skiing and inline skating.

He gives much of the credit for this year's team to Kevin Stanley who coached the squad for 17 years before taking on a different role this season. Stanley still heads up a swim team parents' group and assists in a variety of ways.

Tucker Gilman was also a coach in recent

years, but he, too, has left.

"He contributed a great deal as far as technical swimming," said Goodspeed of Gilman.

Now, the coaching reins have fallen to Goodspeed who has a staff of coaches that include Sarah Thomas, Luke Barron and Andy Paul.

Top point getters for the squad at Dartmouth figure to be Elizabeth and Catherine Shomo, Quinn and Brendan Meisinger, Jesse and Josh Polgar, Scott Dallamura, Eddie Oguendo, Matt Daley, Paul and Barron and, of course, the four members of that unbeaten 11-12 relay unit.

The team was unbeaten until it fell to the Valley Swim Team at Norwich University in the District Meet. The Rutland team was without 19 of its swimmers for that event and Goodspeed is anxious to see how his squad can fare at Dartmouth with all of its weapons.

He knows the competition will be stern. The Rutland team will be competing in the large-team division against many squads who boast year-round swim programs.

"We didn't field our strongest team up there (at Norwich.) We should have a very strong team at States. I don't think we know how good we can be," he said.

Changes Ahead

Goodspeed feels the next step the program must take is to align itself with a league. This would economize travel and standardize meets.

Presently the team travels great distances to the northern part of the state and often some of the procedures and the order of events vary from meet to meet.

Membership in a league could solve both problems.

Goodspeed said Springfield, Bennington, Manchester and Sherburne have been approached about forming a league with Rutland and have been supportive of the idea.

A league would be a shot-in-the-arm for a program already flourishing.

First, though, there's some more immediate business and that's to make a good showing this weekend at Dartmouth College.

Goodspeed has some blue chip athletes who figure to get their points, but he also knows swim meets are frequently won on depth and those second-through-sixth places can be critical. The team seems blessed with both the quality and quantity it takes to make a splash at Dartmouth's Karl Michael Pool.



Staff Photo by Albert J. Marro

Chairwoman of the Board

Kaylie Will awaits her turn for swim practice Monday at White Pool in Rutland. She's a member of the Rutland Swim Team, which practices early in the morning.

Center Street Alley Lunchtime Set

The Rutland Recreation and Parks Department invites you to join them on Tuesday, July 25th in Center Street Alley for a noon concert with acoustic music by local favorite Tom Boise. Downtown Brass performs at noon July 27 with lively brass on a small scale.

Bring your lunch and enjoy Mr. Boise's unique folk and acoustic music, or the brass sounds in the lovely Alley park where picnic tables are put out on concert days for your convenience. The concerts last one hour, and are free and open to the public.

Today

THINGS TO DO

Alley Concerts

Rutland, Downtown Brass performs lunchtime concert, Center Street Alley, noon-1 p.m., Downtown Brass Company.

Festival Recital

Rutland, Killington Music Festival has student recital, Grace Congregational Church, Court Street, 7:30 p.m., free will offering.

Walking Tour

Rutland, Guided tour of historic downtown Rutland by Rutland Area Cultural Alliance, meet Visitor Center, Main Street Park, 2-3:30 p.m., 747-3590.

Folk Dancing

Rutland, International folk dancing and line dancing, Godnick Center, Deer Street, 9 a.m.

Summer Day Camp

Space is still available in the popular summer day camps: Danamore for grades 1-3 and Pinehill for grades 4-6 and 12-year-olds.

Kids can expect days full of activities such as swimming, camping, hiking, arts and crafts and many new games. The staff-to-child ratio is under state requirements.

Camp Danamore is located at the former Dana Elementary School. Camp Pinehill is located at Giorgetti Park.

Session 4 runs Aug. 7-18 but space is still available in Session 3 on a prorated basis.

The camps are Monday through Friday with flexible hours for drop-off and pick-up. Lunch is provided. We invite you to come to our office and register soon.



Staff Photo by A.J. Marro

The Rutland swim team is growing. The squad boasts 90 members this season.



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The pride of the Rutland swim team is this 11-12-year-old girls' relay team comprised of, from left, Jill Corey, Anna Potter, Hannah Polgar and Lindsay Phillips. The unit has been unbeaten since competing in the 8-and-under age group.

Rutland Historical Society
 Rutland Rec Softball
 Women's A: KC's Tavern 7, Cripple Creek 0
 Women's B: WJUR 21, CV/Catamount 7
 Men's A: Johnson Energy 6, Carey's Auto 5
 Men's B: Farrell Distributing 7, KC's Tavern 7
 Men's C: Keith's Private Eyes vs. Uncle Sam's, NS
 Men's D: Stople 14, Private Eyes 1
 Men's E: Tylers Team 10, Pizza Delight 9

Legion Playoffs
Southern League
 Brattleboro 4, Windsor 3
 Chester 4, Bellows Falls 3
Northern League
 Barre 8, Fair Haven 5
 Addison 7, Montpelier 1

Wednesday's Games

Rutland Rec Softball
 Women's A: Godnick's/Private Eyes vs. Wayne's Auto Body, MF
 Women's B: Private Eyes Lounge vs. Green Mt. Bank, NE
 Men's A: Farrell's Dist. vs. Sal's/Magic Brush, Gio
 Men's B: Lindholm Sport vs. Mr. C's, MS
 Men's C: GE Yellow Jackets vs. C.J's, MN
 Men's D: Private Eyes vs. Marble Bank, JFC
N.Y.-Penn League
 Erie at Vt. Expos, 7:05 p.m.

Youth Leagues

Rutland County Sr. League
Playoffs
 Mill River 15, Ludlow 6 — Winning pitcher: Andy Auer. Hitting: Team effort.
 VFW 11, Poutney 2 — Winning pitcher: Angel Shannon. Hitting star: Angel Shannon.
Rutland Town 9, Otter Valley 5 — Winning pitcher: Arlie Coburn. Hitting star: Hoben Fineberg, Jake Conway, Greg Snow and Jesse Logan.
Manchester 17, West Rutland 3 — Winning pitcher: Clint Haseltine. Hitting stars: Todd Sirak, Brian Mulroy, Matt Scieszka and Haseltine.
Rutland County Jr. League
Playoffs
 Proctor 7, Ludlow 5 — Winning pitcher: Jeremy Jones; Hitting star: Patrick Rider (triple.)

Thursday's Results

Rutland Rec Softball
 Women's A: Two Shea's vs. Wayne's Body Shop, p.p.d.
 Women's B: Ferrara Construction/Private Eyes vs. Uncle Sam's, p.p.d.
 Women's C: Cripple Creek vs. Vermont Pasta, p.p.d.
 Women's D: RS&C vs. Green Mtn. Peddlers, p.p.d.
 Men's B: Thread 'N Shred vs. Densmore Electric, p.p.d.
 Men's C: Phillips & Sons vs. Magoo's/Security Pacific, p.p.d.
 Men's D: Buccaneers vs. Magoo's, p.p.d.

Friday's Events

American Legion Baseball
Northern Tournament
 At South Royalton
 Rutland vs. Addison, noon
 South Royalton vs. Barre, 4 p.m.
Southern Tournament
 At Windsor
 Chester vs. Bennington, noon
 Brattleboro vs. Hartford, 4 p.m.
Minor League Baseball
 Vermont Expos at Williamsport, 7:05 p.m.
Rutland Rec Softball
 Women's B: Cotrupi Builders vs. C.J's, NE
 Women's C: McDonald's vs. Hogger Penny, Gio
 Men's B: Private Eyes vs. Price Chopper, MS
 Men's C: Bargain Country vs. Renegades, MN
 Men's D: 3D's vs. Two Shea's, MF
 Men's E: Cripple Creek vs. VAC, JFC

Sundays Events

Rutland Rec Softball
Makeup Games
 At JFC
 Men's B: Phil's Discount vs. Densmore Electric, 10 a.m.
 Men's B: Phil's Discount vs. Private Eyes, 11:30 a.m.
 Men's C: Phillips 'N Sons vs. Two Shea's, 1 p.m.
 Men's C: Phillips 'N Sons vs. Renegades, 2:30 p.m.
 Men's D: Private Eyes vs. Cripple Creek, 4 p.m.
 Men's E: Private Eyes vs. VAC, 5:30 p.m.
At Northeast
 Women's B: Ferrara Construction vs. Green Mtn. Bank, 10 a.m.
 Women's B: Private Eyes vs. C.J's, 11:30 a.m.
 Women's B: WJUR vs. Cotrupi Builders, 1 p.m.
 Women's C: Vermont Pasta vs. RS&C, 2:30 p.m.
 Women's C: RS&C vs. Hogger Penny, 4 p.m.
 Women's C: Green Mtn. Peddlers vs. Hogger Penny, 5:30 p.m.

Vt. State Swimming Championships
 At Dartmouth College

TOMORROW

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Wednesday's Results

Rutland Rec Softball
 Women's A: Godnick's/Private Eyes 12, Wayne's Auto Body 6
 Women's B: Private Eyes Lounge 28, Green Mt. Bank 14
 Men's A: Farrell's Dist. 13, Sal's/Magic Brush 1
 Men's B: Lindholm Sport 16, Mr. C's 4
 Men's C: GE Yellow Jackets 8, C.J's 4
 Men's D: Private Eyes 13, Marble Bank 10
N.Y.-Penn League
 Vermont Expos 2, Erie 1

Thursday's Events

Rutland Rec Softball
 Women's A: Two Shea's vs. Wayne's Body Shop, ROT
 Women's B: Ferrara Construction/Private Eyes vs. Uncle Sam's, NE
 Women's C: Cripple Creek vs. Vermont Pasta, Gio
 Women's D: RS&C vs. Green Mtn. Peddlers, MF
 Men's B: Thread 'N Shred vs. Densmore Electric, MS
 Men's C: Phillips & Sons vs. Magoo's/Security Pacific, MN
 Men's D: Buccaneers vs. Magoo's, JFC

Youth Leagues

Rutland County Jr. League
Quarterfinals
 Fair Haven 20, Poutney 3 — Winning pitcher: Josh Frost. Hitting: Team effort.

Rutland Rec Softball
 Women's B: C.J's 23, Cotrupi Builders 4
 Women's C: McDonald's vs. Hogger Penny, p.p.d.
 Men's B: Private Eyes 7, Price Chopper 0, forfeit
 Men's C: Bargain Country 15, Renegades 14
 Men's D: Bargain Country 6, Renegades 5
 Men's E: 3D's vs. Two Shea's, p.p.d.
 Men's F: Cripple Creek vs. VAC, p.p.d.

Quintessential Brass

Rutland, Seven-to-Sunset Series entertains in Main Street Park, 7 p.m., in case of rain, held in Grace Congregational Church.

AUGUST 7, 1995

Intermediate Line Dancing

Rutland, Godnick Center, 9:15 a.m., 773-1853 or 438-2920.

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AUGUST 12, 1995

Art in the Park

Rutland, Annual extravaganza of art, music and crafts, over 120 juried artists, craftspeople, food, Main Street Park, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

AUGUST 8, 1995

Line Dancing

Rutland, Godnick Center, Deer Street, 9 a.m.

Vermont Farmers' Market
 Rutland, Depot Park, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. through Oct. 31)

Alley Music

Rutland, James Mee brings original folk music to Center Street Alley's lunchtime concert, noon, free, bring bag lunch for picnic.

Quintessential Brass

Rutland, Seven-to-Sunset Series entertains in Main Street Park, 7 p.m.

AUGUST 6, 1995

Band Concert

Rutland, Main Street Park, 7:30 p.m.



Sports Scan

SB Tournament

There will be a men's softball tournament in Rutland Aug. 19-20. The event will consist of brackets B and C, which have four- and two-home run limits, respectively. The entry fee for the double-elimination tournament is \$125 per team and teams must enter by Aug. 16. For more information, call 773-5601.

Camp Registration

Several camps are still going on at Rutland Recreation Department: Aug. 5-19: In-Line Skating on Saturdays — All ages; Aug. 7-10: Field Hockey Skills Camp — Grades 9-12; Aug. 7-11: Pre-season Soccer Camp — Grades 7-12; Aug. 14-18: Ultimate Cross Training & Conditioning — Grades 1-6 or 7-12; Aug. 21-26: Interactive Archery Sports Camp

Youth Leagues

Rutland County Jr. League
 Rutland Post 31 9, Manchester 7 — Winning pitcher: Jake Eaton. Hitting stars: Channing Denton, Chris Graves and Joe Brown.
 Rutland Expos 13, Proctor 0 — Winning pitcher: Josh Polgar. Hitting stars: Garrett Griffin, Tom Connolly and Jeff Sinos.

Senior Council

Rutland Council of Senior Citizens will meet Tuesday, Aug. 8, at 5 p.m. Bring a bag lunch. Entertainment precedes the meeting and social.

Line Dancing

Rutland, Godnick Center, Deer Street, 9 a.m.

Rutland Rec Softball

Women's A: Godnick's/Private Eyes 8, Two Shea's 5
 Women's B: Sams Green Screens 13, Green Mountain Bank 2
 Men's A: Farrell Distributing 6, Carey's Auto 5
 Men's B: Densmore Electric 11, Private Eyes 8
 Men's C: C.J's 23, Phillip N Son's 14
 Men's D: Tyler's 8, Private Eyes 7

Tuesday's Events

N.Y.-Penn League
 Vt. Expos at Batavia, 7:05 p.m.
Legion Tournament
Southern Division
 Hartford vs. Bennington at Windsor, 4 p.m.
Rutland Rec Softball
 Women's A: Cripple Creek vs. Private Eyes Lounge, JFC
 Women's B: Godnick's/Private Eyes vs. KC Tavern, Rotary
 Women's C: Private Eyes Lounge vs. Ferrara Cont/Private Eyes, NE
 Men's A: KC's Tavern vs. Johnson Energy, MS
 Men's B: Thread 'N Shred vs. The Nailers, MN
 Men's C: Bargain Country vs. Magoo's/Security Pacific, MF
 Men's D: American Legion vs. Pizza Delight, Gio

Youth Leagues

Rutland County Junior League
 Rotary Expos 30, Mill River 8. Winning Pitcher — Garrett Griffin. Hitting Stars — Josh Polgar, P.J. Mallon and Matt Lawson.

New Jersey at Vt.

Rutland Rec Softball
 Women's C: Cripple Creek 16, Hogger Penny 4
 Men's A: Johnson Energy 4, Sal's/Magic Brush 3
 Women's B: Cotrupi Builders 15, CV/Catamount 10
 Men's B: Lindholm's 8, Uncle Sam's 7
 Men's B: Phillips & Sons 7, Magoo's/Security Pacific 0
 Men's C: Center Street 7, G.E. Yellow Jackets 6
 Men's D: Two Shea's 21, Private Eyes 4

Vaudeville Trip

Rutland Recreation Department will sponsor a bus trip to Leominster, Mass., for an old-style Three Act Vaudeville Show Sept. 25.

Step back into an era when shows featured novelty acts, impressionists and comedians. Registration begins Aug. 14 at 9 a.m. at Godnick Center for city residents and Aug. 15 at 9 a.m. for non-residents.

The cost is \$41 per person (non-residents, \$47) and must be paid at registration. The price includes transportation, show and lunch at the Sheraton.

The bus will leave the Godnick Center at 9 a.m. and return at approximately 6 p.m. For information, call 773-1853.



Wet Behind the Ears

A day camper at Pine Hill Park splashes through a puddle at the bottom of the water slide. The camp was sponsored by the Rutland Recreation Department.

Staff Photo by Albert J. Marro

Music in the Park

Main Street Park's annual "Seven-to-Sunset" series is in full swing. Free concerts are offered Wednesdays from 7 to 9 p.m.

This week the Rutland Recreation & Parks Department presents the Marble City Swing Band.

The shows are free and open to the public. Bring lawn chairs and a picnic supper, grab the kids and come enjoy a great evening of family entertainment.

In event of rain, the concert will take place at Grace Congregational Church. Listen to the radio for concert updates or call 775-2030 the day of the event.

Common Market

The Center Street Alley Common Market, sponsored by Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 1, and Rutland Parks and Recreation Department, 8 a.m.-Saturday, Aug. 5, 3 p.m., all vendors welcome, karate demonstration, face painters, entertainment, 773-7305.

Marble City Swing Band

The "Seven-to-Sunset" series has free concerts on Wednesdays, 7 to 9 p.m., in Main Street Park. On Wednesday, Aug. 2, the Marble City Swing Band entertains. Bring lawn chairs and a picnic supper. In event of rain concert will be in Grace Congregational Church. Call 775-2030 the day of the event, or listen to local radio for update.

Change of Venue

The field for the Flag Football Camp has been changed to the Old Rutland High School. Anyone with questions should contact the Rutland Recreation and Parks Department at 773-1822.

Woodchuck's Revenge

Center Street Alley features a noon concert Thursday, Aug. 3, with Woodchuck's Revenge.

The trio performs a lively mix of traditional folk and country music as well as contemporary folk. The trio, comprised of Kristina and Peter Cady and Sandy Morse, takes pride in its vocal harmonies and accompaniments on guitar, mandolin, fiddle, banjo and bass.

Bring your lunch and enjoy a midday break. The concert lasts one hour, is free and open to the public.

Noontime Concert

On Tuesday, Aug. 1, Center Street Alley will feature a concert at noon with Wind That Shakes the Barley. This popular group performs an acoustic mix of traditional folk and Celtic music.

Bring your lunch and enjoy a midday break. The concert lasts one hour, is free and open to the public.

SPRINGFIELD — The Springfield Area Parent Child Center's new early childhood education center will open Sept. 1. The Play-Works Child Center center will provide a preschool program and child care. The center will be open all day, Monday through Friday. Child application forms are available at SAPCC. Interested parents may stop by 22 Myrtle St. or call 885-5242 to pick up a form. For more information, call Betty Kinsman at 885-5242.

Rutland Rec Softball

Women's A: Two Sheas 15, Cripple Creek 0
Women's B: Private Eyes 12, Sams Green Screens 7
Men's A: Dart Mini Mart 19, Farrell Distributing 12
Men's B: Private Eyes 14, Thread N Shred 3
Men's C: Two Sheas 9, Bargain Corner 7
Men's D: Pizza Delight 9, Marble Bank 5

Wednesday's Games

Legion Baseball
Rutland at Windsor, 5:30 p.m.
Montpelier at Barre
So. Roydon at Addison
Chester at Bellows Falls

N.Y.-Penn League
Pittsfield at Vt. Expos, 7:05 p.m.
Rutland Rec Softball League
Women's A: Godnick's-Private 'Eyes vs. KC's Tavern, MN
Women's B: WJVR vs. Cotrup Builders, NE
Men's A: Johnson Energy vs. Sal's/Magic Brush, JFC
Men's B: Phil's Discount vs. Densmore Electrical, Gio
Men's C: Phillips N Sons vs. Renegades, MF
Men's D: Cripple Creek vs. Magos, MS

Tuesday's Events

Legion Baseball
Rutland at Bennington, 6 p.m.
Addison at Fair Haven
Windsor at Brattleboro
Hartford at Bellows Falls

Minor League Baseball
Elmira at Vermont Expos, 7:05 p.m.
Rutland Rec Softball
Women's A: Two Sheas vs. Cripple Creek, MN
Women's B: Sams Green Screens vs. Private Eyes, NE
Men's A: Farrell Distributing vs. Dart Mini Mart, JFC
Men's B: Thread N Shred vs. Private Eyes, Gio
Men's C: Bargain Corner vs. Two Sheas, MF
Men's D: Pizza Delight vs. Marble Bank, MS

Youth Leagues

Rutland County Junior League
Post 31 4, Rutland Town 3. Winning Pitcher — Jake Eaton. Hitting Star — Joe Brown.
Poultney 13, Benson-Orwell 4. Winning Pitcher — Eddie Groesbeck. Hitting — Team effort.
Proctor 13, Granville II 3. Winning Pitcher — Jeremy Jones. Hitting — team effort.
Pittsford 16, Castleton 2. Winning Pitcher — Lucas Quenneville. Hitting — team effort.
Mill River 13, Wst Rutland 4. Winning Pitcher — Chris Williams. Hitting — Team effort.

County Journal

City Police to Use Part of Dana School

The Rutland Police Department will move its criminal investigation division to the basement of the old Dana school.

The city School Board approved the move Tuesday night in an agreement similar to one held by the city Recreation Department, which is leasing the upstairs of Dana for a token \$1 a year.

The Police Department says it doesn't have enough space at City Hall. The Recreation Department has been looking for a home ever since its Lawrence facility on Center Street was closed for failing building codes.

The School Board announced the low-cost lease with comments pointed at city aldermen and Mayor Jeffrey Wennberg, who have complained that school taxes held steady rather than fell this coming year.

"The very friendly and easy cooperation of the Rutland City School Board is saving the taxpayers money," School Board member Alton Wilkinson said.

Walking Tour

Rutland, Daily guided tour of historic downtown Rutland by Rutland Area Cultural Alliance, meet Visitor Center, Main Street Park, 2-3:30 p.m., 747-3590.

Family Fun Day

Rutland, Barbecue and entertainment with James Mee, \$5, Godnick Center, register.

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Monday's Games

N.Y.-Penn League
Batavia at Vt. Expos, 7:05 p.m.
Rutland Rec Softball
Women's A: Private Eyes Lounge vs. Two Sheas, MF
Women's C: Vermont Pasta vs. Green Mt. Peddlers, NE
Men's A: Dart Mini Mart vs. KC's Tavern, Gio
Men's B: Phil's Discount vs. The Nailers, MS
Men's C: Center St. Saloon vs. Feds, MN
Men's D: American Legion vs. CVPS Rec Club, JFC

Youth Leagues

Fair Haven Jr. Babe Ruth
Fair Haven 6, Rutland Expos 1. Winning pitcher: Chris Adams. Hitting star: Team effort. (Fair Haven wins Western Division title with a 13-2 record. Expos win Eastern title with a 12-3 record.)



Graffiti Clean Up

Rutland City Police supervise several teenagers Thursday as they clean up chalk graffiti in Center Street Alley. After the incident was reported and after a discussion with police, the teenagers agreed to wash the area, police said.

Staff Photo by David Jenne

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The 34th annual Art in the Park event will be presented by the Chaffee Center for the Visual Arts on August 12th and 13th in the Main Street Park in Rutland.

Tomorrow

THINGS TO DO

Line Dancing

Rutland, Godnick Center, Deer Street, 9 a.m.

Alley Music

Rutland, Wind That Shakes the Barley plays noon concert of acoustic mix of traditional folk and Celtic music, bring your lunch, free.

'Fiddler' Trip

Rutland Recreation Center will sponsor a bus trip to Proctor Theater in Schenectady, N.Y., to see "Fiddler on the Roof," Oct. 26.

Registration for city residents will begin Monday, Aug. 28, and for non-residents, Tuesday, Aug. 29, at 9 a.m. at Godnick Center. The cost is \$55 per person, \$61 for non-residents, and is payable at the time of registration.

The price includes the show, lunch at Grimaldi's in Colonie, N.Y., and transportation. The Vermont Transit bus will leave Godnick Center at 9:30 a.m. and return at approximately 7 p.m.



Staff Photo by David Jenne

Water Wheels

Eleven-year-old Josh Pike of Rutland zips through a puddle on the tennis courts at the Meadow Street playground following a brief shower late last week.

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Art In The Park Vermont's oldest continuing arts tradition

RUTLAND - 120 juried fine artists, craftspeople, and specialty food producers will be represented at the Chaffee Center's 34th Annual Art in the Park Summer Festival. This year's events will be held on August 12 and 13th,

in the Main Street Park, junction of Route 4 and 7, in Rutland. Hours are from 10 am to 5 pm each day. Admission is by donation, prize drawings each day.

All types of handcrafts and fine art will be on exhibit and available for purchase at the festival. The visual arts are represented by a selection of oil paintings, watercolors, acrylics, sculpture and photographs. A full array of crafts will be represented, from quilts, handpainted silk scarves, tie-dyed clothing, pottery, stained glass, wooden toys and furniture, windchimes, puppets, decorative lampshades, dried floral pieces, children's clothing, jewelry and much more. Demonstrations of works in progress will be held throughout the weekend. Specialty food producers are a new addition to this year's festivities and will

tempt your palate with chocolates, brittles, herb vinegars, salsa, and other treats.

There will be musical performances each day by swing and bluegrass artists Lisa Brande and Kevin Parry. "Art For Kids" are special events for children throughout the weekend. Children will be able to make a variety of crafts including tie-dye, decorated eyeglasses, and origami.

Art in the Park is the Chaffee's major fund-raising event, occurring twice yearly. All proceeds go to further the Chaffee's community art education programs. The festival is sponsored by Price Chopper, Tents For Events, Casella Waste Management, WEBK, the Rutland Recreation Department, the Vermont Council on the Arts, Wendy's and Dunkin Donuts. For more information, call the Chaffee at 775-0356.

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Entertainment will be provided by folk musicians Lisa and Kevin throughout the afternoon. Activities for children, under the direction of Sally Keefe, will take place throughout both days and will include tie dying, origami, folk dancing (adults can also participate), creating decorative eyeglasses out of egg cartons, and other projects which challenge the imagination. All the children's activities will be located in the Chaffee tent where a sampling of craft and gift items from their gift shop will be for sale (to help fund the Chaffee's education programming) and information about the Chaffee and its programs will be available. Visitors are encouraged to cross the street and visit the Chaffee galleries where there is a permanent collection of members' work and a continually changing monthly show.

A variety of foods for lunch or a snack will be provided by the Palms Restaurant, Sonrise Fruits and Juices, and Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream.

The summer Art in the Park, a major fundraiser for the Chaffee, is sponsored by the Rutland Recreation and Parks Department, the Vermont Council on the Arts, Price Chopper, Tents for Events, Casella Waste Management and WEBK. Funds also come from fees charged to exhibitors, and from business and individual contributions. Other businesses help by providing donations in kind, and volunteers help before and during the event to make everything run smoothly. Admission is not charged, but a donation is requested to help defray the expense of mounting the show. A fall festival will be held October 7 and 8 with an additional 30 exhibitors in the Armory across West Street.



Craft Fairs Proliferate And Showcase Regional Artisans

Communities Encourage Events For Income Potential

BY ALICE DUGAN

Summer craft fairs in Vermont are lively bazaars where a wonderful variety of handcrafts, entertainment and tempting foods are combined in a beautiful setting, each attracting thousands of visitors. Fairs such as the Art in the Park Summer Festival in Rutland, the Woodstock Summer Festival and Craft Fair, the Society of Vermont Craft Fair in Manchester and others around the state not only are income producers for professional artisans and artists but also for the communities in which they are located, a fact which more communities are recognizing. Support for crafts fairs continues to grow and their number to increase.

Craft fairs present an everchanging potpourri of useful and/or decorative products created with imagination and skill. Even when categories of exhibitors sound the same, or the same artisan is exhibiting, the products will be different, as no two handcrafts are exactly alike, and crafters are continually creating new designs and new products. And the exhibitors must go through a selection process each year to participate (except in a few instances at some fairs where a few exhibitors have tenure).

Exhibitors at these fairs are predominantly from Vermont and the Northeast (artisans and artists will often apply for and travel to fairs within a certain radius of their home base during the summer and fall), but some come from as far away as California and Florida. Northeastern crafters, if they travel out of the area, tend to gravitate to Florida during the winter. Participants pay a fee for space, but do not pay a commission on sales made, and those

sales are an important part of many exhibitors' incomes. Another advantage of the fair setting for participants is the proximity to other craftspeople where an exchange of experiences is welcomed (most artisans and artists spend long periods working alone and many commented that they look forward to fairs for social as well as revenue benefits). Inspiration for new ideas comes from each other and from their customers, whose requests for custom pieces may lead the crafter to explore new directions. This face-to-face encounter between the artist/artisan and the consumer is appreciated by both, especially at a time when many transactions are becoming more impersonal.

Rutland's Art in the Park, the oldest continuously running craft festival in central Vermont, will be presented by the Chaffee Center for the Visual Arts in Main Street Park on August 12th and 13th. This 34th Annual Summer Festival will fill the park with 120 exhibitors, coordinator Cathy Miglorie reports. This juried show includes the work of both fine handcrafters and fine artists and for the first time a specialty foods category. Booths and tents are set up in two rows around the periphery of the park; each exhibitor has an individual space.

Represented in the handcraft category are a variety of wood products, jewelry, metals (more tinsmiths this year), leather, basketry, dried arrangements, glass, woven goods, imaginative decorated wine bottle recorkers, bears made of unusual fabrics, other soft sculpture, pottery, folk art, handmade paper, batik clothing and others.

In the fine arts category there will be oil and watercolor paintings, photographs, prints, etchings, sculpture, and drawings. Many of the exhibitors will be working in their booths so visitors will have the opportunity to watch a creation take shape.

There will be three exhibitors in the new specialty foods category. Gourmet brittles, chocolates, gourmet vinegars and specialty condiments will be displayed (samples available).

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New Face in the Alley

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The Rutland Recreation and Parks Department has initiated the Center Street Mural Project in the Downtown Rutland Alley. The Mural began to take shape July 17 when the artists took to the street.

The Mural is the collaborative effort of the Recreation Department, the Chaffee Center for the Visual Arts, and many other supporters. The planning stage began in February when these groups began to talk about the Alley's potential to become a bohemian artists' open-air "residence," as well as a crafter's market and a theatre venue.

Lynne deBeer and Sally Keefe approached local artist James Griffith, a nationally known designer, to create a mural to give the appearance of an old-fashioned theatre stage backdrop. Griffith created a tromp l'oeil design that spans an area 32 feet by 18 feet. The design represents an Edwardian style theatre stage backdrop, complete with columns and stylized scenery. The remaining mural will be incorporated into the new design, and mix the old with the new.

The planners have worked with local businesses and arts associations in an effort to maximize cultural offerings to the Rutland community and minimize the cost to taxpayers. Pam Monder of the Recreation Department and Lynne deBeer and Sally Keefe of the Chaffee applied to the Rutland Area Cultural Alliance for a grant from the Vermont Council on the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts to help "seed" the work on the mural. The grant request was approved and the project received \$1,000, a third of the total needed to create the new mural.

Christine Brown of Rutland Junior High will fulfill the duties of site coordinator and artist-in-residence. She has amassed a corps of volunteers from her classes, including Kate Bloomer, Nicole Chapleau, Tom Connolley, Jake Eaton, Paige Griffin, David Hall, Jesse Juliano, Cindy Lefebvre, James Mainolfi, Matt Marro, Meg Martin, Nate Phillip, Elizabeth Potter, Jessica Stepanowsky, Tara Vitali, Sean Whittenmore, Jeremy Woods and Laura Woods.

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Farmers' Markets

Rutland, Midweek market at new location behind Kinney Motors, South Main Street, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.; Middlebury, Riverside at the Marble Works, 9 a.m.-noon, wide variety of fresh vegetables, fruits, plants, flowers, baked goods, jams, honey and maple syrup available.

Quintessential Brass

Rutland, Seven-to-Sunset Series entertains in Main Street Park, 7

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Art in the Park

Rutland, Annual extravaganza of art, music and crafts, over 120 juried artists, craftspeople, food, Main Street Park, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Farmers' Markets

Rutland, Large market behind Kinney Motors, South Main Street, 8 a.m.-2 p.m.; Rutland, Depot Park, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; Middlebury, Riverside at the Marble Works, 9 a.m.-noon, wide variety of fresh vegetables, fruits, plants, flowers, baked goods, jams, honey and maple syrup available; Londonderry, Locally grown produce, baked goods, live music, crafts, Routes 11 and 100, Mill Tavern, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., 824-4486.

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Alley Music

Rutland, James Mee brings original folk music to Center Street Alley's lunchtime concert, noon, free, bring bag lunch for picnic.

Art in the Park 8/9

One hundred twenty juried artists, craftspeople and specialty food producers will be represented at the Chaffee Center's 34th Annual Art in the Park Summer Festival.

This year's events will be held Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 12 and 13 in Main Street Park at the junction of Routes 4 and 7 in Rutland.

Hours are from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day. Admission is by donation, and all who donate will be eligible for prize drawings each day.

All types of handcrafts and fine art will be on exhibit and available

for purchase. The visual arts are represented by a selection of oil paintings, watercolors, acrylics, sculpture and photographs.

A full array of crafts will be represented: quilts, hand-painted silk scarves, tie-dyed clothing, pottery, stained glass, wooden toys and furniture, wind chimes, puppets, decorative lampshades, dried floral pieces, children's clothing, jewelry and much more.

Demonstrations of works in progress will be held throughout the weekend by many of the artists and crafts people.

Specialty food producers are a new addition to this year's festivities and will tempt your palate with chocolates, brittles, herb vinegars, salsa and other treats.

Rounding out the festivities are musical performances each day by swing and bluegrass artists Lisa Brande and Kevin Parry.

"Art for Kids" are special events for children throughout the weekend. Children will be able to make a variety of crafts including tie-dye, decorated eyeglasses and origami.

Art in the Park is the Chaffee's major fund-raising event, occurring twice yearly, mid-summer and autumn. It is Vermont's oldest continuing arts tradition. All proceeds go to further the Chaffee's community art education programs.

For more information, call the Chaffee at 775-0356.

Tomorrow

THINGS TO DO

Noon Concert

Rutland, Bruce White features relaxing sounds of light rock and folk music, noon, Center Street Alley, bring lunch, free.

Line Dancing

Rutland, Godnick Center, Deer Street, 9 a.m.

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Positive teen creation on Center Street Alley

Rutland Middle School students have put the finishing strokes on their mural in the Center Street Alley which was unveiled last Monday. The students are: (L. to R.) Jesse Juliano, Jake Eaton, Tom Connolly, Matt Marro, Cindy Lefebvre, Nicole Chapleau, art teacher Christine Brown, Sean Whittemore, and Laura Woods.

Live Music

Bruce White will perform live music Thursday, Aug 17, from 7 to 9 p.m., at Trolley Square in Front of Ben & Jerry's Scoop Shop, 170 South Main St.

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Senior Highlights

Highlights for Aug. 14-18 at the Godnick Center:

Monday: 7 a.m., golf; 9 a.m., resident registration for September bus trip; 9:15 a.m., intermediate line dancing; 9:30 a.m., softball; 10 a.m., piano; 12:30 p.m., canasta.

Tuesday: 9 a.m., line dancing, non-resident registration for September bus trip; 1 p.m., Country Crafters, bridge and poker.

Wednesday: 8 a.m., tennis at White's courts; 9:30 a.m., shuffleboard; 1 p.m., pinochle.

Thursday: 9 a.m., folk dancing; 10 a.m., canasta; 1 p.m., poker; 1:15 p.m., bingo; 7 p.m., Marble Valley Bridge Club.

Friday: 10 a.m., piano; 11 a.m., van leaves for picnic at Lake St. Catherine; 1 p.m., bridge and whist.

The van is available from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Call 773-1853.

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Service Club News

Rutland South Rotary

Paul Garland, chairman for the scholarship program, hosted the scholarship winners for the five area schools: Kevin Robbins, Jeanette Murphy, Bryan Cupoli, Kristi Elliot, Laura Avery, Dana Heleba, Andrew Costello, Kevin Doherty, Kelly Crowley and Michael Coppinger.

George Campbell told us of a planned golf tournament. He is looking for players. There will be more plans next week as to whether it will be played at Rutland or Proctor-Pittsford Country Club.

George Campbell told us that the Chaffee is looking for donations. They are sponsoring the painting of a mural in Center Street Alley this summer.

President Dan Pratt is putting together a photo and fact board to be displayed at the conference at the Margate this weekend. We, with Rutland Rotary, are hosting the wine, cheese and beer tasting event on Friday evening.

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Yard sale to benefit Center Street Alley mural

The Chaffee Center for the Visual Arts will hold its annual Yard Sale on Saturday, May 20 from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. on the grounds of the Center's South Main Street building. Clothing, furniture, jewelry, books, perennials and more will be available for the yard sale connoisseur.

Proceeds from the sale will help support a mural project

for the Center Street Alley. Artist James Griffin has been commissioned to design a mural for the east wall of the Center Street Alley. The design will be painted this summer by students from Rutland Junior High School, under the direction of Griffin and Chris Brown, an art instructor from the Junior High.

Skates

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The "problems" Goodspeed was referring to arose last summer in Rutland, when skateboarders continued to take their tricks to the sidewalks and streets, creating havoc for some business owners and sending police officers chasing skateboards on foot.

This summer, those problems have been alleviated by the skate park, according to Police Chief Robert Holmes.

"I think they've made some difference," he said. "From what I can tell, there are fewer (skaters) in the downtown area. It's only an impression, but it seems like it helps a lot."

The trick, Goodspeed and Sparrow said, has been to listen.

They started about four years ago at the rink with a weeklong in-line skating class. About 10 skaters enrolled, two of them their own, looking for downhill ski training in the off-season, Goodspeed said.

The following summer, the course grew from 10 to 100 participants and from one week to several weeks, he said. The adults started listening more closely to what the kids wanted.

"What they wanted was ramps, tricks, extremely aggressive skating," Goodspeed said. "We said, 'Let's build a park.'"

Leif E. Dahlin, the city's new recreation director, was supportive of a private-public venture, Goodspeed said. The city agreed to hook up with The Great Outdoors and its associate training school, Balance-Works, run by Goodspeed. Bikers were also welcomed to the park. The only conditions were that all skaters and bikers wear helmets and safety gear, and that there be appropriate adult supervision, he

said.

Goodspeed said there is always an adult-child ratio of one-to-12 and that no more than 40 users have been at the rink at any one time. So far there have been no mishaps and no broken bones, he said.

"The first thing we teach them is how to fall, stop and anticipate problems," he said. "... They lose some skin — you're never going to get away from that, but we haven't had a safety problem."

Skaters are charged \$1 per hour for the use of the rink, with a \$2 minimum. The rink is open Thursday and Friday, 4:30 to 9 p.m., Saturday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Sunday, noon to 8 p.m.

Burlington, which has been having problems with skateboarders since 1989, has recently turned to Rutland as a model, according to Henri E. Sparks, a city employee and youth advocate appointed to a new Burlington Skate Task Force.

Last month, Burlington's city council passed a resolution to appoint the task force and investigate possible locations for a skate park like Rutland's, Sparks said. Skaters have long been banned from Burlington's downtown area, and young people have continued to be arrested and jailed for skateboarding, he said.

"One thing we liked about Rutland was the training component,"

Sparks said. "... I definitely believe skateboarding is not a fad. Roll-erblading is definitely not a fad."

So Burlington has been discussing skate park and camp programs with Rutland representatives. It has invited Rutland's demo team — a group of youths who compete through the program — to perform outside Burlington City Hall on Aug. 27.

Manchester and Ludlow have also discussed Rutland's program as a possible model to deal with their own skateboard problem, Goodspeed said.

The wrong approach, he said, is to corral youngsters, make them feel like they've been put "out of sight, out of mind."

"What we're doing here is the direct opposite," he said. "You need to embrace them, give them what they want, put them on display, give them a place to express themselves. ... So it's not a renegade thing that needs to be controlled, but a sport that needs to be treated like any other."

And out-of-town skaters have been coming in hoards on their boards.

A bunch of tie-dyed skaters from Whitehall, N.Y., paid a visit to the indoor rink at Giorgetti Park on Friday afternoon. They had heard about a skate park somewhere in the city: There's not much in White-

hall except parking lots, they said.

"There's some stuff, but you can't skate there at night," said Dan Telisky, 18.

"It's a small town," said his brother Chris, 16. "They kick you out everywhere."

Sparrow sent the skateboarders off to get helmets and knee pads before being allowed into the park.

Meanwhile, Rutland youths and young adults, padded up and in helmets, have been flying off ramps, jumping over chairs and even flying over the heads of their mothers. Goodspeed seats willing moms in a chair on a ramp for a course session.

Nate Whitehorn, 22, of Rutland is known as "Superfly" at the rink. He can do a 50/50 grind that makes riding the center of both skates down a narrow rail look like a piece of cake.

"It's a young sport," Whitehorn said, explaining why he loves it. "It's still being created."

This fall, Sparrow and Goodspeed plan to add a "gymnastics ramp camp" to their course program. They plan to install trampolines, mats and harnesses so skaters can learn how to do flips safely, Goodspeed said.

And they're hosting a "Name the Skate Park Competition" at the rink on Aug. 20, when skaters may jump over Dahlin or Mayor Jeffrey N. Wennberg, he said.

Rec Softball

Tournaments
(All Games at 6:15 p.m.)
Men's B
Thursday, Aug. 17
Game 1 — Mr. C's 14, Thread & Shred 7
Game 2 — Private Eyes 5, The Nailers 3
Friday, Aug. 18
Game 3 — Keith's II/Private Eyes 12, Uncle Sam's 10
Game 4 — Phil's Discount 23, Lindholm's 11
Game 5 — Mr. C's 9, Densmore's 8
Monday, Aug. 21
Game 6 — Phils Discount 8, Private Eyes 3
Game 7 — Mr. C's 13, Keith's II/Private Eyes 5
Wednesday, Aug. 23
Championship Game
Game 8 — Phil's Discount 8, Mr. C's 3

Men's C
Friday, Aug. 18
Game 1 — Feds 16, Phillips & Sons 14
Game 2 — C.J's 20, Magoo's/Security Pacific 6
Monday, Aug. 21
Game 3 — Renegades 7, Bargain Country, 5
Game 4 — Two Shea's 20, Private Eyes 8
Tuesday, Aug. 22
Game 5 — Center Street 17, Feds 7
Game 6 — G.E. Yellow Jackets 10, C.J's 4
Game 7 — Renegades 10, 3D's 6
Game 8 — Stoplite 19, Two Sheas 6
Thursday, Aug. 24
Game 9 — Center Street vs. G.E. Yellow Jackets, MN
Game 10 — Renegades vs. Stoplite, MS
Friday Aug. 25
Championship Game
Game 11 — Winner game 9 vs. winner game 10, MS

Men's D
Monday, Aug. 21
Game 1 — VAC 19, Private Eyes 11
Tuesday, Aug. 22
Game 2 — Marble Bank 19, Buccaneers 8
Wednesday, Aug. 23
Game 3 — Pizza Delight 16, American Legion 12
Game 4 — Cripple Creek 25, Magoo's 16
Game 5 — Tyler's Team 7, VAC 0
Game 6 — Marble Bank 13, CVPS Rec Club 10
Thursday, Aug. 24
Game 7 — Pizza Delight vs. Tyler's Team, MF
Game 8 — Cripple Creek vs. Marble Bank, JFC
Friday, Aug. 25
Championship Game
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Staff Photo by Albert J. Marro

Claire Bove of Brandon hurries to the top of the sack ride at last week's Addison County Farm and Home Field Days in New Haven.

Field Days Is Time For Farmers to Reflect



Staff Photo by Albert J. Marro

Art in the Park

Elizabeth Gallipo watches the crowd while her mom, Laura Gallipo, studies a painting by Nick Martori during the 34th annual Art in the Park Summer Festival held over the weekend in Rutland's Main Street Park.

Senior Highlights

Highlights for Aug. 22-25 at the Godnick Center:

Tuesday: 9 a.m., line dancing; 1 p.m., Country Crafters, bridge and poker; 5 p.m., Senior Council.

Wednesday: 9:30 a.m., shuffleboard; 1 p.m., pinochle; 1:45 p.m., van leaves for Weston Playhouse.

Thursday: 9 a.m., folk dancing; 10 a.m., canasta; blood pressure test; 1 p.m., poker; 1:15 p.m., bingo; 7 p.m., Marble Valley Bridge Club.

Friday: 9 a.m., hike; 10 a.m., piano; 1 p.m., bridge and whist; 1:30 p.m., chorus.

The van is available from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Call 773-1853.

Today

THINGS TO DO 8/22

Line Dancing
Rutland, Godnick Center, Deer Street, 9 a.m.

Vermont Farmers' Market
Rutland, Depot Park, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

8/23 50-Softball

The Rutland Recreation and Parks Department will be holding a softball practice for men and women age 50 and over on Monday, Aug. 28 at 9:30 a.m. It will take place at the Max Fineberg Field on Temple Street and is open to anyone who is interested in playing. Anyone with questions should call Lori A. Manning at 773-1853.

'Los Solidos' Initiates Local Y

Police Contacting Members' Parents

By LIZ ANDERSON
Herald Staff

Rutland City Police said Monday they have identified 11 local youths who have been initiated into the "Los Solidos" gang.

Detective Kevin Geno said police are trying to interview each of the young people, who range in age

from 16 to 20, and are also contacting their parents.

He said police had already spoken to three youths, all in the presence of their parents or guardians.

In addition, he said, police have identified six to eight existing gang members who had moved into Rutland. All of that group are from Massachusetts except for one, who is from Brattleboro, Geno said.

Fixing a number on the group is difficult because members appear to be coming and going from the

city, he said.

"We're coming up with a new face in town here on an almost daily basis," he said.

The first of three public forums on the new-found gang activity in Rutland is scheduled for 7 p.m. Tuesday night at the new Rutland High School on Woodstock Avenue.

Community Policing Officer Robert Gorruso said the forums would begin with a 40-minute presentation by police department and city

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Alleged Member Of Gang Charged

By LIZ ANDERSON
Herald Staff

A Massachusetts man alleged to be a member of the "Los Solidos" gang was arraigned Monday on charges he possessed alcohol and marijuana, and gave a false name when questioned by police a day earlier.

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officials and conclude with a question-and-answer session.

Geno will describe the makeup of the gang and give parents information on what to watch for with their children. Detective Ray LaMoria will give a history of "Los Solidos." Detective David Schauwecker will update the police investigation.

Police Chief Robert Holmes will describe the steps police have been taking to combat gang activity in the city and Mayor Jeffrey Wenberg will speak about a recently-enacted provision that allows the mayor to impose an emergency curfew during a civil disturbance.

Cpl. Edward Larson will also speak about the D.A.R.E. program, which includes a unit that targets gang activity, Gorruso said.

The other forums will follow the same format. They are set for Wednesday at 7 p.m. at the former high school on Library Avenue and Thursday at 7 p.m. at Mount St. Joseph Academy.

Police have been investigating gang-related activity since the weekend of July 29, when local teenagers clashed with alleged gang members in a series of confrontations.

The weekend culminated with a fight on Maple Street in Rutland City in which police said 30-40 local teenagers carried weapons and up to 100 onlookers went to the home of several alleged gang members, looking to settle the score for a previous dispute.

Two teenagers from the house were taken to the hospital with injuries. Police said they are still investigating the assaults and expect to charge local youths with the violence.

One week later, on Aug. 5, one of the Maple Street residents alleged to have gang connections left Rutland and returned to Massachusetts.

Police said two other alleged gang members returned to Chicopee, Mass., on Friday in the company of a parent after police picked them up as "children in need of supervision."

Geno said those two teenage boys had no permanent residence. He said they had previously lived on Maple Street then had relocated to the Rutland Motel until they were asked to leave the motel late last week.

Rutland Motel manager Rachel

Patel said the motel asked the group to leave Thursday because two young people rented the room but "like 15 people were staying there."

She said the group had been there four to five days at the time.

Geno said police took the young men into custody after they were called to the Meadow Street playground Friday afternoon to investigate a report that one of them had shown a pistol to a local teenager and threatened his life.

Police found no gun but established that neither of the young men had parental supervision, a place to live or a means of support, Geno said. The mother of one of the two young men was contacted by police and picked both of them up late in the day, he said.

In another gang-related incident, police said members of the Los Solidos gang reportedly confronted a former member of one of their rival gangs inside the Getaway teenage club Thursday night.

The former Latin Kings member was told to leave by the Los Solidos members and he did, ending the confrontation, Geno said.

Tomorrow

THINGS TO DO

Look at Rutland

Rutland, Guides show historic downtown Rutland to walkers, Rutland Area Cultural Alliance, meet Visitor Center, Main Street Park, 2-3:30 p.m., daily, 747-3590.

Band Concert

Rutland, Main Street Park, 7:30 p.m.

Tomorrow

THINGS TO DO

Line Dancing

Rutland, Godnick Center, Deer Street, 9 a.m.

Vermont Farmers Market

Rutland, Depot Park, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Senior Council

Rutland Council of Senior Citizens will meet Tuesday, Aug. 22, at the Godnick Adult Center off Deer Street. A catered supper will precede the meeting at 5 p.m. and a social gathering will follow it.

Announcements

Rotary Preschool

The Recreation Department's Rotary Preschool will hold a special registration night Thursday, Aug. 24, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Rotary Field House. For further information call 773-1822.



Staff Photo by David Jenne

Police Chief Robert Holmes addresses a forum Tuesday night at the high school on gang activity in Rutland.

City Forum Tackles Gang Activity Issue

By LIZ ANDERSON
Herald Staff

Teen curfews, race relations and good parenting were among the many issues on the table Tuesday at the first of three public forums on gang activity in Rutland City.

About 120 area residents gathered in a muggy Rutland High School cafeteria listened to a crash course on "Los Solidos," the gang police say has come to Rutland to establish a foothold and possibly a permanent chapter.

The group was also given an update on the ongoing police investigation and city response to the Solidos situation.

The forum then turned to an hour of questions and debate about how officials and residents could respond to the problem.

One of the primary issues under discussion was whether the city should create a permanent curfew for young people that would set a time when all people under a certain age should be off the streets.

Although the Board of Aldermen recently enacted a provision that will allow the mayor to set an emergency curfew during a time or a threat of civil disturbance, the city currently has no permanent curfew for young people.

A man asked whether police were in support of creating such a rule.

Rutland City Police Detective Kevin Geno and other officers on the panel said they supported the idea and asked for a show of hands to gauge the audience's opinion. A large majority of the people present raised their hands in support of a curfew.

Mayor Jeffrey N. Wennberg told the audience that the idea "deserves careful thought and scrutiny." He said if the Board of Aldermen was interested in pursuing the idea then the public should have the opportunity to debate it at a separate hearing.

Two teenagers in the room later drew applause when they spoke out against the curfew, saying it would punish the majority of youths who followed the rules in an attempt to get at a few troublemakers — youths who probably wouldn't obey a curfew anyway.

Parents asked what kinds of strategies might be used to lure young people into a gang. Police said the lure of a secure, family-like structure and offers of rewards such as property were often enticements.

"Sometimes these children are more
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Cultural Alliance Grant Deadline

The next deadline for grant applications to the Rutland Area Cultural Alliance for collaborative community initiatives is September 15, 1995. The Alliance awards grants on a quarterly basis to local cultural, business, and civic organizations working together to undertake new and ambitious projects with broad community appeal.

Recent projects that the Alliance has funded include a \$1000 grant to support the Center Street Alley Mural and a \$2000 grant to SolarFest '95. Activities of the Alliance are funded by a grant to Crossroads Arts Council from the National Endowment for the Arts' Local Government Incentive Program.

Please call the Alliance at (802)747-3590 for information or to discuss possible ideas for projects and to receive help in writing a grant.

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Rec Softball

- Tournaments**
(All Games at 6:15 p.m.)
- Women's A**
Monday, Aug. 14
Game 1 — Two Shea's 17, Cripple Creek 5
Tuesday, Aug. 15
Game 2 — Private Eyes 8, Wayne's 7
Wednesday, Aug. 16
Game 3 — Two Shea's vs. Godnick's/Private Eyes, Rot
Game 4 — Private Eyes vs. KC's, MF
Thursday, Aug. 17
Championship Game
Game 5 — Winner game 3 vs. winner game 4, Rot
- Women's B**
Tuesday, Aug. 15
Game 1 — Private Eyes 18, Cotrup's 5
Game 2 — Ferrara Construction/Private Eyes 12, WJR 2
Wednesday, Aug. 16
Game 3 — Sam's Green Screens vs. Green Mtn. Bank, MN
Game 4 — Ferrara Construction/Private Eyes vs. C.J's, Gio
Thursday, Aug. 17
Game 5 — Private Eyes vs. winner game 3, MS
Friday, Aug. 18
Championship Game
Game 6 — Winner game 4 vs. winner game 5, Rot
- Women's C**
Wednesday, Aug. 16
Game 1 — RS&C vs. Green Mtn. Peddler, MS
Game 2 — Cripple Creek vs. Hogge Penny, JFC
Thursday, Aug. 17
Game 3 — Winner game 1 vs. Vermont Pasta, MN
Monday, Aug. 21
Game 4 — Winner game 2 vs. winner game 3, Rot
- Men's A**
Monday, Aug. 14
Game 1 — Sal's/Magic Brush 16, Carey's 11
Game 2 — Johnson Energy 8, KC's 6
Tuesday, Aug. 15
Game 3 — Farrell's 14, Sal's/Magic Brush 1
Game 4 — Dart Mart 9, Johnson Energy 1
Thursday, Aug. 17
Championship Game
Game 5 — Farrell's vs. Dart Mart, JFC
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Wednesday, Aug. 23
Championship Game
Game 8 — Winner game 6 vs. winner game 7, JFC
- Men's C**
Friday, Aug. 18
Game 1 — Feds vs. Phillips & Sons, MN
Game 2 — C.J's vs. Magoo's/Pacific Security, JFC
Monday, Aug. 21
Game 3 — Renegades vs. Bargain Country, MN
Game 4 — Two Shea's vs. Private Eyes, JFC
Tuesday, Aug. 22
Game 5 — Winner game 1 vs. Center Street, JFC
Game 6 — Winner game 2 vs. G.E. Yellow Jack-ets, MS
Game 7 — Winner game 3 vs. 3D's, MF
Game 8 — Winner game 4 vs. Stoplie, Gio
Thursday, Aug. 24
Game 9 — Winner game 5 vs. winner game 6, MN
Game 10 — Winner game 7 vs. winner game 8, MS
Friday, Aug. 25
Championship Game
Game 11 — Winner game 9 vs. winner game 10, MS
- Men's D**
Monday, Aug. 21
Game 1 — Private Eyes vs. VAC, MF
Tuesday, Aug. 22
Game 2 — Buccaneers vs. Marble Bank, MN
Wednesday, Aug. 23
Game 3 — Pizza Delight vs. American Legion, MS
Game 4 — Cripple Creek vs. Magoo's, MN
Game 5 — Winner game 1 vs. Tyler's Team, Gio
Game 6 — Winner game 2 vs. CVPS Rec Club, MF
Thursday, Aug. 24
Game 7 — Winner game 3 vs. winner game 5, MF
Game 8 — Winner game 4 vs. winner game 6, JFC
Friday, Aug. 25
Championship Game
Game 9 — Winner game 7 vs. winner game 8, JFC

wanted by a gang than they are at home," City Police Chief Robert Holmes said.

A woman who said she was the mother of a 13-year-old expressed concern that the city schools were releasing children as early as 1:30 p.m., saying she felt this left children as "prime targets."

School Board President Michael Dick responded that parents who were concerned their children were finishing the school day too early should contact the child's guidance counselor to have the child enrolled in more available classes or programs.

Another man asked whether police were concerned that two local nightclubs for teenagers were becoming a center of gang activity.

Holmes said anything that attracted teenagers could become the site of a problem but he said he supported the local businessmen who were trying to create a place for teenagers to gather.

Getaway Club owner Henry Heck said he had been working closely with police to try to keep his club a safe place for young people to enjoy themselves and that police had never been called to tackle a problem inside his club.

"The biggest root of the problem is parents," Heck said. "I see kids living out of knapsacks, duffel bags, (asking) 'Can I spend the night at your house? ... Oh no, my parents won't mind.'"

Several people asked whether police had the tools to keep young people from spending the night in a city park, from enforceable park hours to an anti-vagrancy law.

Holmes said vagrancy laws were

generally unconstitutional. City Superintendent of Parks & Recreation Leif Dahlin said he was looking into tightening park restrictions, including posting and enforcing park closing hours.

One man suggested that the city form an advisory board of young people to develop programs on "what they want, not what we perceive they want."

Officials responded that two teenagers were advising the city on a proposal for a teen center and pointed to the recent development of an in-line skate and skateboard area at Giorgetti Park as ways they were already incorporating that suggestion.

The issue of race surfaced briefly when a young man came to the front of the forum and made a brief statement.

"We should all get together. We should all get along. ... You should judge a person by their actions, not by their color," said the black teenager, who identified himself as John and said he had recently come to Rutland from New York.

Another young man rose later to complain that the black teenager had been questioned recently by police while walking in Rutland because of the color of his skin.

Police disputed that allegation and Holmes, who said he did not know the specifics of the incident, encouraged the young man to come to his office so the matter could be investigated further.

Geno said the police department "has a habit of checking every new face in town" regardless of race. "That's not bad protocol for police,

to check new faces in town," he said.

A woman from the audience also defended police, saying she had been pulled over herself recently and that officers stopped people for many reasons.

The police officers present and Wennberg told the group not to panic about gang activity but encouraged them to join the police in taking a proactive stance against it.

"Seventeen days ago nobody in Rutland ever expected to have a problem like a street gang in our city," Holmes said. "It came without a lot of warning. ... But I think our response has been quick (and) it's been unified."

"Hopefully we've nipped it in the bud, or we'll be able to before a few weeks are out," he said.

Holmes encouraged parents to talk with their children and take a genuine interest in how their children were spending their time.

Wennberg noted that the gang activity was apparently "in the very earliest stages" and that incidents of gang-related criminal activity were "essentially non-existent."

"Do not react out of fear," he told the group. "While I think we have a legitimate reason to be concerned, there is no reason for any of us to change our lifestyle."

"With your help there's not question in my mind that this community is going to respond positively, constructively and effectively," the mayor said.

The forums continue at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the old high school on Library Avenue and at 7 p.m. Thursday at Mount St. Joseph Academy.

Flag Football

The IV Suns Youth Center, along with the Rutland Recreation and Parks Department, will bring Adult Flag Football back to Rutland. All team organizers, referees and new league players should contact **Chris Shaddock** at 773-9484 for registration details.

Recreation Center Bought for \$76,001

Two area residents have bought the Lawrence Recreation Center with the intent of turning the dilapidated building into office and commercial space.

Gary Kupferer, a West Rutland resident and local attorney, and Thomas Martin, president of Rutland Fire and Clay, made the winning bid at \$76,001.

"It'll probably be commercial space," Kupferer said. "It's a great old building."

Kupferer and Martin made one of two bids on the property, which the city decided to sell after it was condemned earlier this year.

Elizabeth Pimpore, of Goreham, Me., bid \$62,300. The Board of Finance approved the bid by Kupferer and Martin last week.

When the deal is closed, the proceeds will go to the Rutland Free Library, under a previous agreement between the library and the city.





Photo by Christian Wideawake

Myles Cotter-Sparrow goes horizontal in the half-pipe at Rutland City's new skating facility at Giorgetti Park.

On A Roll

Rutland's Youth Skating Park Is Watched by Other Vermont Cities

By KRISTIN BLOOMER
Herald Staff

Rutland's young skaters are on the state's cutting edge. Their grinds, mutes, cross-mutes and gumbies in the city's Giorgetti Park have drawn the attention of officials in Burlington, Manchester and Ludlow — in addition to young skaters and skateboarders from around Vermont and New York.

At Giorgetti, in an open-sided indoor rink normally used for winter ice skating, the Rutland City Recreation Department and The Great Outdoors BalanceWorks Training School have created a place for kids to skateboard and in-line skate safely, with all the challenges of street skating.

Dave Goodspeed and Frank Sparrow — two of the adult minds behind the endeavor — have built ramps, half-pipes, jumps and rails.

They've offered four days a week of "open skating" for skaters to practice their tricks under adult supervision.

They've also offered a camp where kids can learn all the tricks properly.

"Sure, maybe they've got earrings and all that stuff, but they're 2athletes," Goodspeed said. "And if you approach them as athletes, the problems won't arise."

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Skates

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The "problems" Goodspeed was referring to arose last summer in Rutland, when skateboarders continued to take their tricks to the sidewalks and streets, creating havoc for some business owners and sending police officers chasing skateboards on foot.

This summer, those problems have been alleviated by the skate park, according to Police Chief Robert Holmes.

"I think they've made some difference," he said. "From what I can tell, there are fewer (skaters) in the downtown area. It's only an impression, but it seems like it helps a lot."

The trick, Goodspeed and Sparrow said, has been to listen.

They started about four years ago at the rink with a weeklong in-line skating class. About 10 skaters enrolled, two of them their own, looking for downhill ski training in the off-season, Goodspeed said.

The following summer, the course grew from 10 to 100 participants and from one week to several weeks, he said. The adults started listening more closely to what the kids wanted.

"What they wanted was ramps, tricks, extremely aggressive skating," Goodspeed said. "We said, 'Let's build a park.'"

Leif E. Dahlin, the city's new recreation director, was supportive of a private-public venture, Goodspeed said. The city agreed to hook up with The Great Outdoors and its associate training school, BalanceWorks, run by Goodspeed. Bikers were also welcomed to the park. The only conditions were that all skaters and bikers wear helmets and safety gear, and that there be

said.

Goodspeed said there is always an adult-child ratio of one-to-12 and that no more than 40 users have been at the rink at any one time. So far there have been no mishaps and no broken bones, he said.

"The first thing we teach them is how to fall, stop and anticipate problems," he said. "... They lose some skin — you're never going to get away from that, but we haven't had a safety problem."

Skaters are charged \$1 per hour for the use of the rink, with a \$2 minimum. The rink is open Thursday and Friday, 4:30 to 9 p.m., Saturday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Sunday, noon to 8 p.m.

Burlington, which has been having problems with skateboarders since 1989, has recently turned to Rutland as a model, according to Henri E. Sparks, a city employee

Sparks said. "... I definitely believe skateboarding is not a fad. Rollerblading is definitely not a fad."

So Burlington has been discussing skate park and camp programs with Rutland representatives. It has invited Rutland's demo team — a group of youths who compete through the program — to perform outside Burlington City Hall on Aug. 27.

Manchester and Ludlow have also discussed Rutland's program as a possible model to deal with their own skateboard problem, Goodspeed said.

The wrong approach, he said, is to corral youngsters, make them feel like they've been put "out of sight, out of mind."

"What we're doing here is the direct opposite," he said. "You need to embrace them, give them what they want, put them on display, give

hall except parking lots, they said.

"There's some stuff, but you can't skate there at night," said Dan Telisky, 18.

"It's a small town," said his brother Chris, 16. "They kick you out everywhere."

Sparrow sent the skateboarders off to get helmets and knee pads before being allowed into the park.

Meanwhile, Rutland youths and young adults, padded up and in helmets, have been flying off ramps, jumping over chairs and even flying over the heads of their mothers. Goodspeed seats willing moms in a chair on a ramp for a course session.

Nate Whitehorn, 22, of Rutland is known as "Superfly" at the rink. He can do a 50/50 grind that makes riding the center of both skates down a narrow rail look like a piece of cake.

"It's a young sport," Whitehorn



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ter	wife clash over a murder case, (CC)



Staff Photo by Albert J. Marro

Art in the Park

Elizabeth Gallipo watches the crowd while her mom, Laura Gallipo, studies a painting by Nick Martori during the 34th annual Art in the Park Summer Festival held over the weekend in Rutland's Main Street Park.

Sports Scan

Softball

The Rutland Recreation & Parks Department's Godnick Center will hold a softball practice today at 9:30 a.m. for any men and women aged 50 or older who are interested in playing. The practice will be held at the Max Fineberg Field on Temple Street. For further information, call 773-1853.

Rutland Rec Softball
All Games at 6:15 p.m.
Makeup Games
Men's C: Phillips & Sons vs. Two Shea's, JFC
Women's C: Green Mtn. Peddlers vs. Hogge Penny, ROT
Women's C: Vermont Pasta vs. Cripple Creek, MN
Playoff Games
Men's A: Carey's Auto vs. Sal's/Magic Brush, Gio
Men's A: Johnson Energy vs. KC's, MS
Women's A: Two Shea's vs. Cripple Creek, MF

Noon Concert

Rutland, Rick Redington concert features eclectic talent, noon, Center Street Alley, bring lunch, free.

Today

THINGS TO DO

Noon Concert

Rutland, Bruce White features relaxing sounds of light rock and folk music, noon, Center Street Alley, bring lunch, free.

Line Dancing

Rutland, Godnick Center, Deer Street, 9 a.m.

Today

THINGS TO DO

Live Music

Rutland, Trolley Square, 170 S. Main St., live music by Bruce White, 7-9 p.m.

Look at Rutland

Rutland, Guides show historic downtown Rutland to walkers, Rutland Area Cultural Alliance, meet Visitor Center, Main Street Park, 2-3:30 p.m., daily, 747-3590.

Noon Concert

Rutland, Rick Redington concert features eclectic talent, noon, Center Street Alley, bring lunch, free.

Rec. Volleyball

The Rutland Recreation and Parks Department will hold a meeting for a men's and women's volleyball league Aug. 23 at 6 p.m. at the Dana Recreation Center. This is not a captains' meeting, but a meeting for committee members and anyone interested in providing input for the upcoming season. Rosters and league information will be available after Aug. 25 and rosters should be picked up at the Rec Department. For more information, call 773-1822.





Community News

Recreation Programs

Rutland Recreation and Parks Department is registering residents and non-residents for fall programs at 39 East Center St. Office hours are 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m. weekdays. There is a fee reduction/waiver program for eligible residents. Call 773-1822 for more information. Fees listed include resident fees first, non-residents fees follow.

Children's Preschool Program: "Bubble Mania" Saturday, Sept. 30, at the Dana Recreation Center; "Magic Music Puppet Theater" Saturday, Oct. 14, at Rutland Free Library; "Alexander, King of Jesters ... Public Nuisance" Saturday, Nov. 18 at Dana. The series is free. Performance times are 2 to 3 p.m.

Rotary Preschool Program: Three-year-olds attend Tuesday and Thursday mornings, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m., and 4-year-olds attend Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. For more information, call the rec office.

Parent and Child Play Group: Informal get-together for parents and preschoolers at Dana school from 9 to 11:30 a.m., Mondays and Fridays, Oct. 16-Dec. 22. There is no charge.

Tot Art - Parent and Child Crafts: Open to parents and children ages 3-6. Classes are on Tuesdays, 9:30-10:30 a.m., Oct. 3-Nov. 7. Storytelling, music, finger play, holidays and seasonal themes will be incorporated. Fees are \$17/\$24.

Totnastics: The program is open to 3- and 4-year-olds. Two sessions offered on Saturdays: Sept. 9-Oct. 14 and Oct. 28-Dec. 9, from 9 to 10 a.m. at Northwest School. Fees are \$15/\$22.

Babysitting: For 10- to 15-year-olds who want to learn the responsibilities of babysitting. There will be six classes on Wednesdays, from Sept. 27 to Nov. 1, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. at Dana. Fees are \$15/\$22.

"Bare Bones" - A Workshop in

Telling Stories: Participants will take home copies of stories they learn. It will be held at Dana Saturday, Oct. 7, from 10 a.m. to noon for grades 3 and 4, and from 1 to 3 p.m. for grades 5 and 6. Fees are \$13/\$20.

Gymnastics: Two sessions: Sept. 9-Oct. 14 and Oct. 28-Dec. 9 Saturdays. Ages 5-9 are from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. or 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Ages 10-13 will meet from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Fees are \$15/\$22.

Jim's Jymbooree: Activities include tag, rhythmical ball, games and low-organized sports. Two sessions: Sept. 9-Oct. 14 and Oct. 28-Dec. 9 at Northwest School gym. Grades 1-3 will attend from 2 to 3 p.m., grades 4-6 from 3:30 to 5 p.m. Fees are \$20/\$27.

Jewelry-Making - Beadwork: Step-by-step jewelry-making for ages 8-13 Wednesdays, Oct. 4-Nov. 8, 3:30-4:15 p.m. Fees are \$15/\$22.

Little Dragons: Open to students in kindergarten and grade 1 on Wednesdays, from 4 to 4:30 p.m., at Mac-Sam's. Participants will learn self-control, discipline and coordination. Fees are \$15/\$22.

Introduction to Karate: Offered in conjunction with the New England Martial Arts Center at 129 Forest St. Instruction will include karate stances, punches, blocks and kicks. The program will be held Wednesdays, 4:30-5:30 p.m., Sept. 27-Nov. 1. Fees are \$22/\$29.

In-Line Hockey: Bone up your athletic skills while training muscles and reflexes. Held at Zero Gravity Sundays from 9 a.m. to noon, Sept. 24-Oct. 29. Protective equipment a must. Fees are \$40/\$47.

In-Line Skiing: Get in shape for ski season Saturdays at Zero Gravity Saturdays, 9 a.m.-noon, Sept. 23-Oct. 28. Protective equipment a must. Fees are \$45/\$52.

Adult Programs

Aerobics: Overall fitness workout choreographed to music, Tuesday and Thursday mornings, Sept.

19-Dec. 14, 9-10 a.m. Fees are \$38/\$45. Another session will be held Tuesday and Thursday, 5:45-6:45 p.m. at Dana, Oct. 3-Dec. 21. Fees are \$34/\$41.

Antiquing: Acquaint yourself with the skills needed to identify and appreciate antiques. Field trip included. Classes are from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at Dana, Oct. 3-Nov. 14 (no class Oct. 31). Fees are \$35/\$42.

Beer-Making: Home brewing step by step, including measuring and preparation, fermentation, bottling and more. Program runs Wednesdays, Oct. 4-18, 7-9 p.m. Fees are \$21/\$28, with a \$3 lab fee.

Co-ed In-Line Skating: Adults of all levels are invited to get their skates and safety equipment and come to the new Zero Gravity skate park. Learn to in-line skate in a relaxed environment. Six classes, Tuesdays through Oct. 24, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Fees are \$45/\$52.

Coat-Sweater Basics of Knitting and Quilting: Learn how to make a personalized coat-sweater with a quilted front. Classes run for six weeks, Oct. 5-Nov. 9, Thursdays from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at Dana. Participants will be responsible for their own materials. Fees are \$20/\$27.

Multi-Color Knitting: This course is designed for the person

who is familiar with knitting. This course will familiarize participants with working with more than one color at a time, winding bobbins, carrying yarn and reading charts. The lab fee covers the cost of one project. Participants will purchase all other materials. The class will be held Tuesdays, from 7 to 9 p.m., at Dana, Oct. 3-Nov. 14 (no class Oct. 31). Fees are \$26/\$33.

Fast and Easy Holiday Crafts: Learn how to make Battenberg lace ornaments and more. Make crafts designed for your own style and taste. The class will meet Wednesdays at Dana from 7 to 9 p.m., Nov. 29-Dec. 20. Fees are \$15/\$22.

Theater Trip

The Rutland Recreation Department's Godnick Center is sponsoring a bus trip to see "Fiddler on the Roof" at Proctor's Theater in Schenectady, N.Y., Oct. 26.

Registration is now ongoing at the Godnick Center. The fee of \$55 per person (non-residents add \$6) is payable at time of registration. The price includes the show, lunch at Grimaldi's in Colonie, N.Y., and transportation.

The Vermont Transit bus will leave the Godnick Center at 9:30 a.m. and return at about 7 p.m.

FOR SALE 9/20 9/21 9/22 LAWRENCE RECREATION CENTER

The City of Rutland will be accepting sealed bids for the sale/purchase of the former Lawrence Recreation Center, located at 86 Center St., Rutland, VT. Sealed bids will be accepted until 4:00 p.m. Thursday, October 5, 1995. All bids will be opened and read aloud on Friday, October 6, 1995, at 10:00 a.m. in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, Rutland.

The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids: all bids must be accompanied by a 10% deposit of bid purchase price. Bids are to be mailed to the City of Rutland, VT., P.O. Box 969, Rutland, VT 05702-0969. Please mark envelope "Bid Recreation Center".

Detailed specifications may be obtained by contacting the City Treasurer's Office 1-802-773-1800.

Bubble Dude

Professional comic and bubble-ologist Casey Carle will bring his "Bubble Mania" show to Rutland Saturday at 2 p.m. at Dana Recreation Center, 39 East Center St. The soap bubble show includes music and comedy for all ages, and promises audiences a chance to "see a living breathing human being encased inside a bubble." The event, sponsored by the Rutland Recreation Department and the Rutland Free Library, is free.

9-29



Teens Say Region Needs More Sports, Recreation

By FREDERICK BEVER
Herald Staff

Rutland County teenagers say they want more sports and recreation programs, as well as more input into how those programs are developed.

A survey of county high school students is spearheaded by "Safety Net," a group of educators and social service providers. They were brought together by Mayor Jeffrey N. Wennberg in the wake of reports that an out-of-town gang is active in the community.

The group has been meeting for the last month to find ways to support positive activities for local youth and to make more opportunities available.

A total of 2,138 surveys have been tabulated so far. Students answered a range of questions on topics such as whether they were concerned about gang activity to what kind of programs they think should be started.

Tenth-grader David Madison was one of the students surveyed at Rutland High School. Describing himself as "a loner," he said in an interview he saw a need for more programs that would keep kids away from gang activity.

"I live in a peaceful place, but for other kids, they need to know they can do things other than the gang," said Madison, 15.

He added that even though he usually keeps to him-

self, he has the sense that if he needs help, it will be there for him.

"There are people here who have heart," he said. "I know that if I or anybody else was in trouble, there are people out there."

Melissa Leibig, area coordinator of drug and alcohol abuse programs for the state, said she was heartened by one of the results: that a majority of students feel they are supported by the adult community.

More than 1,600 students responded that adults were responsive to their needs. But another 446 answered negatively, a response that concerned Leibig.

"I would be very concerned about those who don't feel supported," Leibig said.

She noted also that 444 students said they were not supported by their own peers. "Those are probably mostly the same kids," she said. "We need to think about them more than anybody."

Educators are already heeding the call to arms. At the Rutland Middle School for instance, faculty are giving up some of their free time to begin a variety of new after-school programs.

"The issue seems to be 'Hey, you've got to do a little more these days,'" said Sanford Bassett, principal of the city's Middle School.

He added that he was pleased that faculty had vol-

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Teenagers

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unteered time to help with activities such as basketball, mountain biking, chess and radio-controlled cars.

Among the survey's findings:

► A majority of students believe the gang situation is serious and should be of concern in the community. But fewer than one out of three students said they were aware of the gang situation before recent publicity.

► Less than half said that gang activities, drugs or violence were of concern in their daily lives.

► The top priority for students was the creation of more sports and recreation programs. More than 1,050 called that their first concern. That was followed by the need for more dance clubs, a teen center and job training programs. Of less importance were drug and alcohol programs, peer support groups and personal counseling.

Jennifer Chapleau, a 10th grader at Rutland High School, said that while some students may not have taken the survey seriously, she was glad to have the chance to participate.

"I thought that a teen center would be a really good idea," Chapleau said. "As long as it starts out right, and doesn't become a place where only a certain clique goes."

Chapleau added that there was only so much the community could do in terms of programming when

students would have to take the initiative to participate.

She explained that even with encouragement, students are often reluctant to join a program that their peers perceive as being uncool, or a program that is dominated by one particular clique.

"I'd like to help people," Chapleau said. "But you can't help people if they don't help themselves first."

Leibig said that creating a teen center could go along way toward helping students who have not developed the social skills needed to fit into mainstream programs.

"There's a group of students that don't feel comfortable in high school sports or recreation department programs," Leibig said. "A teen center is neat because anybody who walks through the doors is made to feel comfortable."

Art in the Park

Rutland, Juried artists, craftspeople and specialty food producers represented at annual festival in Main Street Park, additional exhibits in Armory, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., entertainment, Chaffee Art Center, 775-0356.

GMC Hike

Rutland, Hike to Little Rock Pond and Green Mountain Trail, 6.5-miles, moderate, meet Main Street Park, 9 a.m., Alan Connelly leads, all welcome, 773-8146.

Anniversary Dance

Rutland, Square dance club has 46th anniversary dance, caller is Erwin West, Godnick Senior Center, Deer Street, 8-10:30 p.m.

Art in the Park

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YOUTH SURVEY

	YES	NO
Do you think that the gang situation in our area is serious and should be of concern to the community?	1,226	912
Did you know of any gang-related activity in Rutland County before the events of the past few weeks were discussed in the news?	686	1,413
Are gang activities, violence, drug use/abuse, or other harmful behaviors of concern for you in your daily life?	743	1,353
In general, do you feel that adults are supportive of you and try to respond to your needs in your school and community?	1,637	466
In general, do you feel that your peers are supportive of you and try to respond to your needs?	1,641	444
Do you feel that there are enough alternative activities offered in Rutland County for young people?	674	1,353

What activities or programs would you like to see offered in your community?

Recreation/Sports	1,060	Job Training	601
Teen Center	722	Peer Support Groups	280
Dance Clubs	863	Personal Counseling	214
Arts/Drama	449	Drug/Alcohol Programs	331

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Calendar

Today

THINGS TO DO

Square Dancing 9-3
Rutland, Rutland Square Dance Club has lessons, Godnick Center, 7-9 p.m.

Tomorrow

THINGS TO DO

Farmers' Market
Rutland, Depot Park, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Mayor's Safety Net
Rutland, Mayor's planning committee for positive response to gang-related issues will meet, update on Los Solidos, progress report, discussion, 2:30 p.m., Fox Room, Rutland Free Library, 2:30 p.m., 775-0878 or 800-717-2762.

Line Dancing 9-3
Rutland, Godnick Center, Deer Street, 9 a.m., beginners, for information, 438-2920, Intermediate Line Dancing, Dana Recreation Center, 5:15 p.m.

Vigil Unites Strained Community

Los Solidos, Clergy Pray In Rutland

By FREDERICK BEVER
Staff Writer

Luis Morales says he could use a prayer. The 18-year old member of a gang known as "Los Solidos" (he prefers to call it a family) has been living a catch-as-catch-can life since he came here from Holyoke, Mass., last month. He has taken a temporary job and is looking for a new one. He sleeps and washes at friends' houses, and sometimes beds down under

"The first step is to get to know them, let them know we're here and that we care about them."
— James Snyder, New Hope Baptist Church pastor

the stars in Monsignor Connor Park on the city's west side. Morales' recent effort to attend the local high school was stymied because he could not meet residency requirements.

Most of the time Morales practices his hoops in the park, baggy pants practically falling from his waist. He hangs out with other "Solidos," as they are known, or his

local girlfriend.

But on Saturday, Morales joined a group of local Protestants, Baptists, Pentecostals and Catholics who turned out for a prayer vigil in a field near the basketball courts.

"We could use a prayer — I could use a prayer," Morales said. "I think it was pretty nice of them to take the time to pray for us; I appreciate it."

It was one of the few times that members of Los Solidos or their friends have had a non-confrontational encounter with adults in the city. The gang's doings have more often been the subject of intense police scrutiny, and the occasion for a citation or an arrest.

Yet at the park on Saturday, as the roar of the crowd at a nearby Mount St. Joseph football game threatened to drown out their meditations, the diverse congregation came together to pray for young people, for civic leaders, and for families.

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A moment of prayer at Monsi

Vigil

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Mayor Jeffrey N. Wennberg and his wife Nancy prayed in a circle with other residents and clergy. After the group broke up, Wennberg shook hands with Morales. "Thank you for coming," Wennberg said.

"That was the mayor? Holy..." was Morales' response when told whose hand he had just held. "I wanted to talk to him about going to school."

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Wennberg, who has led an aggressive effort to educate the public about the menace of Los Solidos, and whose police department is practicing a strategy of "zero tolerance," with the gang, said he was pleased that Morales and others associated with Los Solidos had attended the vigil.

"I was particularly pleased that they didn't wear their colors, that they came here as individuals," Wennberg said, referring to the trademark red and blue clothing favored by Los Solidos. "I think that was a show of respect for this event."

Several of the youths who have come here from the cities have criminal records that include convictions on charges ranging from trespass to possession of cocaine and other drugs. Police have made few arrests in Rutland.

Local youths who have befriended Los Solidos members were cited on disorderly conduct charges after a July 30 fight at a house on Maple Street. Police say the fight was started by a group of local whites, two of whom were cited for hate crimes for allegedly beating up two African-Americans living at the house.

Two members of Los Solidos have since been cited in Brandon on charges of sexual assault, and three others associated with the gang were arrested for trespass in Brandon. One youth who police described as an "enforcer" for the gang was sent to St. Johnsbury work camp after he was caught with a beer and a joint in the street

next to the park.

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Police say that city problems — drug dealing, gang warfare, prostitution, protection rackets — may follow the youths here. And they say the youths are recruiting new members from the local population.

Religious leaders said they wanted to support the city's efforts to prevent any criminal activity by the gangs. But they took pains on Saturday to show respect for the young people. Captain John Bennett of the Salvation Army joined some of the youths and attempted empathetic small talk.

"I've only been here a year myself," Bennett said. "When you talk about newcomers, I stand next to these guys."

He asked Morales if he was familiar with the Salvation Army's work down in Holyoke. "I went there for some cheese and stuff once," Morales said.

In a group nearby, Franklin Wilson, a Los Solidos member from the Greenfield, Mass., area, sat down with local Christians. Wearing an earring shaped into happy/sad drama masks — another Los Solidos emblem — Wilson was shy about actually praying out loud.

But he listened as Sterling Shin, a member of the Church of Christ, sent up a prayer on his behalf. "We want to thank you for our young people, bless the young people with the knowledge of what is proper, which is sometimes difficult at that age."

Wilson left after only a few minutes. But James Snyder, pastor of the New Hope Baptist Church, accompanied him in a walk across the courts.

"I saw a chance to talk with one of the guys and I took advantage of that. ... We talked," Snyder said later. "I think the church has been far too inconspicuous in this."

But he vowed to change that. "The first step is to get to know them, let them know we're here and that we care about them," Snyder said. "I'll definitely be back."

Or as Thomas Santopolo of the

quasi-Pentecostal Wellspring Christian Center put it: "Jesus went out into the streets — God has directed us to go into the streets."

As he swayed slightly in the intensity of his prayers, Santopolo was joined in his circle by Javan Hart, a local youth who was at the Maple Street fight.

"We ask that these children will be spoiled for Jesus," prayed one in the circle. "Your blood will cleanse away the violence of our cities."

Hart and other youths said later that the event was a refreshing change. They contrasted it to other times they had walked the streets, and found Rutland citizens nervously crossing to the other side.

"I wish everybody was like this," Hart said, gesturing to the circle. "I know that would be better, instead of hating — that's not the way to go."

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task last month for asking whether a state "payment in lieu of taxes" should be split between the city and the schools.

But there was a general air of cooperation at the meeting, attended by seven aldermen and as many school officials. The boards agreed to research further the possibility of jointly handling purchases, and even allowing the school department to handle the city's payroll and other accounts through its computer system.

Board members traded information about possible city plans for empty school buildings. School board members said they wanted to be kept up-to-date on the city's plans, because it would make a difference in their long-range planning for buildings such as the Dana and Lincoln schools.

Aldermen said the police department was considering moving part of its operations to the Dana School, where the Recreation Department has already set up shop. And the city water department also is considering using the Dana space.

Alderman Paul R. Clifford, who heads the Recreation Committee and the Public Works Committee, said he was concerned about city departments planning to use that facility, because a lease with the school has only a three-year term.

School board member William Meub said that problem could be overcome if the school board were given a better picture of what the city's long-range needs might be. "We ought to be sitting down and making a plan."

The two boards also discussed the possibility of turning over responsibility for providing crossing guards to the school department. The \$25,000 to \$30,000 expense is currently taken on by the city, although some of it is offset by federal

Boards Eye City Charter Change

By FREDERICK BEVER
Herald Staff

The Board of Aldermen and the Board of School Commissioners can agree on one thing: getting rid of charter language that forces the aldermen to approve the school budget.

"You guys want to change it, we want to change it," said Alderman John P. Cassarino, head of the Education Committee, at a joint meeting with school officials Wednesday.

Aldermen don't like the provision because they cannot reject the budget, only rubber stamp it. School board members don't like it because it gives aldermen an opportunity to take potshots at their budget-building process.

Members of both boards agreed to research the possibility of eliminating the charter requirement. School Board Chairman Michael Dick also asked the aldermen to consider how to let the school board incur debt, which currently can only be done by the city on the school's behalf.

"If the school department wants to borrow for 60 days, we can't," Dick said. "What I'm saying is, let's skip that, so aldermen don't have to deal with school finances."

Alderwoman Sharon A. Davis, who heads the Charter and Ordinance Committee, agreed to take both issues up. She noted that a charter change must be approved by a city-wide ballot, and then by the Legislature.

Dick requested the joint meeting after he had a public spat with Alderwoman Wendy L. Wilton.

Wilton took the school board to (See Page 17: Boards)

City Wants All Vendors Downtown

New Market Has Depot Park;
Invites Longtime Group to Join

By FREDERICK BEVER
Herald Staff

The aldermanic Community Development Committee wants members of the area's two farmers markets to sell their wares from Depot Park next summer, but whether the two can work together remains to be seen.

At a committee meeting this week, members voted unanimously to endorse use of the park by both the Vermont Farmers Market and by the Rutland County Farmers Market.

The county market operated out of the park for nearly two decades prior to this year, drawing dozens of vendors. The new market got a late start this year, and averaged around 10 vendors on market days.

The newer market gained use of the downtown site this year after the traditional Rutland County Farmers Market opted for a site in Rutland Town, next to Kinney Motors. The county market made that move after NET Realty, which controls parking needed for the downtown market, said it could not guarantee use of those spaces for the market this summer.

That was because Central Vermont Public Service Corp. had planned to build new headquarters at the site this summer. By the time that deal fell through, the county market had already decided on the Kinney Motors site.

On Tuesday, county market representatives told the committee they were interested in returning to Depot Park next summer. County market manager Dale Lincoln said several downtown merchants had expressed their desire to see the traditional market's return.

But at the meeting, he learned that the city's Recreation Department had already struck a deal with the Vermont Farmers Market, allowing that group to use Depot Park next summer. In fact, the city will be a co-sponsor of the market, making it possible for the new group to avoid paying insurance next summer.

The county market might be able to work out an arrangement with the newer market to use the park "but you would have to go under their umbrella," said

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Recreation Park Sought On 18 Acres

Aldermen Consider Proposal
For Park Off Woodstock Ave.

By FREDERICK BEVER
Herald Staff

City officials are considering a deal that would turn an 18-acre, city-owned parcel near Woodstock Avenue into a public park and recreation area.

Proposed by Great Outdoors Trading Co. owner Chuck Wagenheim, the deal would upgrade the undeveloped fields and woods to include hiking and ski trails, picnic areas and possibly other amenities such as in-line skating areas.

On Monday, the Board of Aldermen referred to committee the possible option of selling the property. Alderman William F. Gillam, chairman of the Community Development Committee, declined comment, saying it was a matter for executive session.

But Wagenheim said he hoped that through a combination of private and public financing, the park could be created over a period of five to 10 years.

Wagenheim acknowledged that the venture could be a boost to his recreational goods business, which is situated next to the property in question. But he also said there was a philanthropic element to his motives, because the park would be open to all city residents.

"I would like to be the lead sponsor in turning those 18 acres into a recreational facility to be used by all citizens at no charge," he said. "What we're looking at is a huge volunteer effort with some private funding."

He noted that Stafford Technical Center students had already offered to help with the project, and that some local businesses had shown interest as well.

Wagenheim said his ability to enter into the project would depend on how far the city was willing to go to make it affordable for him. Ideally, he said, the city would lease the parcel to him at no cost.

"We'll just play it out and see where the chips fall," Wagenheim said.

Mayor Jeffrey N. Wennberg said his administration was "very excited" about the proposal, but declined detailed comment.

"The parcel would remain in city ownership, would become a park, and existing uses such as the community gardens and the tree nursery and areas adja-

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cent to residential neighborhoods would not be affected," Wennberg said.

He added that the proposal could go a long way toward providing recreational needs for the city's youth. Those needs have been highlighted by a task force formed last month to find alternatives for youths who may be at risk of joining a gang which has recently become active in the city.

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Alderman William F. Gillam, the committee's chairman. "For 1996, the Vermont Farmers Market is doing business there."

Lincoln said he would have to put that question before the county market's full board.

But he also noted that his group had already received permission from NET Realty to use parking spaces there next summer. That permission had apparently been sought before Lincoln's group knew that the Vermont Farmers Market had cut a deal with the Recreation Department.

The Vermont Farmers Market has not spoken to NET on the matter, according to Richard J. Courcelle, manager of the Rutland Partnership. Courcelle brokered the deal between the newer market and the city Recreation Depart-

ment.

He pointed out that NET's permission may be a moot point next summer, because the city plans a reconfiguration of the park that would eliminate the need to use parking spaces controlled by NET.

Courcelle said his pursuit of the Vermont Farmers Market — formerly the Poultney Farmers Market — was based on that group's willingness to work with city officials after the county market opted for the Rutland Town site.

"If we lost a bookstore downtown I would go after another bookstore," Courcelle said.

He added, however, that he hoped both markets would be able to agree on a way to bring as many vendors as possible downtown.

Greg Cox, a member of the county

market, said the city should be working with the traditional group.

"Just because the Poultney market changes their name I don't believe they should have first dibs," Cox said. "I guess I'm steeped in tradition — I feel that the Rutland County Farmers Market has worked very hard for 19 years with the city and the population in Rutland — I'd hate to see that just go by the wayside because we didn't agree for one year."

Pamela Green, president of the Vermont Farmers Market, said that vendors from the traditional market were welcome to go to Depot Park as members of the new market.

"We're more than willing to have them," Green said. "Interest is already really high for next year."



Blondie

DO YOU ENJOY BEING BACK IN SCHOOL, ELMO?



Officials Feel Pressure to Create Positive Activities for City Youth

By FREDERICK BEVER
Herald Staff

The presence of a gang known as "Los Solidos" has focused public attention on finding positive activities for local youth, and the aldermanic Community Development Committee wants to do something about the problem as soon as possible.

At a committee meeting last week, members discussed ways to speed up creation of a comprehensive recreation plan for the city. Alderman William F. Gillam, who chairs the committee, said that city government

should push the issue while public awareness is high. "I think what's happened with this gang thing is a positive thing," Gillam said. "It's finally come to the forefront that we have a problem and need to address it ... law enforcement alone can not address it."

Recreation Superintendent Leif Dahlin has been planning the effort since he was hired last year, but it now appears likely he will be asked to shift the program into higher gear.

Gillam envisions a process similar to the one that
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Vermont Farmers' Market

Rutland, Depot Park, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Beginner Line Dance

Rutland, Godnick Center, Deer Street, 9 a.m.

Intermediate Line Dance

Rutland, Recreation Center, Dana School, 5:15 p.m.

Senior Council

Rutland Council of Senior Citizens will meet Tuesday, Sept. 26, at 6 p.m. at Godnick Adult Center off Deer Street. Entertainment and a bag lunch will precede the meeting.

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produced "On the Right Track," a blueprint for the downtown's future that was created after numerous public forums and brainstorming sessions.

"We need to take this and make it a community priority," Gillam said. "It's a big undertaking."

He added that the process could go beyond the city's borders. Other county towns could be drawn in, Gillam said, to help create a joint recreation program that uses a variety of the region's facilities.

At the committee meeting, Mayor Jeffrey N. Wennberg suggested that the process could dovetail with work now under way by area educators and social service workers on helping youths most at risk of join-

ing Los Solidos.

That would include use of a survey that local schools are conducting, in which students are asked what they think is needed.

And Dahlin said last week he was open to the idea of speeding up the process. He warned, however, that it still could take as long as six months to produce a comprehensive analysis and presentation on the community's recreation needs.

Dahlin said he was in the process of reactivating a strategic planning committee that was formed last year, but which became inactive after the department's computers were stolen and a change of offices slowed things down.

Using the help of consultant Car-

olyn Crowley, Dahlin plans to draw up an assessment of both program needs and infrastructure needs. That effort will be helped by asking a representative sampling of city residents through the mail what they think should be done.

Dahlin sees the renovation of current facilities as the best area for investment.

"Basically we need to do some rehabilitation — basketball courts, tennis courts, baseball fields," Dahlin said. "In terms of the big question that looms out there — what do we do about a recreation center — I don't know the answer to that one."

"Someone made a comment to me I was delighted to hear: that we should be looking at programs for

the community from birth to the grave, hitting the entire age spectrum," Dahlin said.

"We've been doing a good job with the resources we have but there's no question there's more we can do," he said.

Paul Clifford, chairman of the Recreation Committee, said he was not so sure that the gang situation was the appropriate catalyst for the project.

"We were going to go gangbusters anyway," Clifford said. "It's a good thing they want to push it and everything, but I don't know that bringing the gang into the issue is the right motivation... I'd rather leave politics out of it."

Today

THINGS TO DO

Folk and Line Dance

Rutland, Godnick Center, Deer Street, 9 a.m.

Jack O'Lantern

All around the county children (and adults) are busy preparing their costumes for Halloween night. In Rutland City it's time again for area schoolchildren to try to figure out the identity of this year's Jack O'Lantern, who will be revealed at the 36th annual Halloween Parade, Oct. 31. Watch this space for more clues to Jack O'Lantern's identity.

Sit back and listen, imagine a scene,

While Jack O'Lantern spins tales of Halloween.

Folk Dancing

Rutland, Godnick Center, Deer Street, 9 a.m., 438-2920. begins Oct. 12.

Reader to Reader

Puppetry and Music

Join the Children's Performing Arts Series in a celebration of group singing, fun, music and puppetry. Lesley Smith and the Magic Music Puppet Theatre will perform Saturday, Oct. 14, 2 to 3 p.m. at the Fox Room at the Rutland Free Library.

Smith's full-length, interactive music and puppet production has been held all over New England.

The Children's Performing Arts Series is co-sponsored by the Rutland Recreation and Park Department and the Rutland Free Library. Performances are free of charge and open to the public of all ages. The Fox Room is handicapped accessible. For more information, call 773-1860.

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There are three "J" months in every year,
But one comes first to Jack O'Lantern's ear.

Holiday Craft Bazaar

There are tables available for the Rutland Recreation Department's

annual holiday craft bazaar at the Godnick Center on Deer Street, Saturday, Nov. 4 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

To reserve an 8-foot table for \$7, stop by the Godnick Center. For information, call 773-1853. This is not a flea market.



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Jack O'Lantern is not very tall,
But has a ready smile for one and all.

Facelift Planned For Park At Plaza

By **FREDERICK BEVER**
Herald Staff

Officials are planning a \$100,000 make-over of Depot Park, the city's only downtown green space.

Matthew Sternberg, executive director of the Rutland Redevelopment Authority, wants to redesign the plaza park so that haphazardly planted trees and poorly placed walkways do not obscure special events such as the twice-weekly farmers market.

He also wants to make vendor parking easier, and to make the park more attractive to visitors.

"One of the main purposes to have a place like that is for people to use it," Sternberg said. "We want to make it a more active place."

Using part of a \$1.5 million grant from the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development, Sternberg hopes to accomplish several objectives.

The HUD money will also be used to separate storm water and septic waste coming from the plaza site.

That project is due to get under way this spring. But another that depends on the HUD funds — extending Spruce Street behind the plaza — is on indefinite hold.

That is because the city and Vermont Railway have yet to come to terms over liability at two railroad track crossings needed for the new road. The state's Transportation Board is set to consider that matter next month.

Meanwhile, Sternberg is pressing ahead with the park project. The aldermanic Community Development Committee and the Rutland Partnership's Streetscape Committee are also both preparing their own participation in the plan.

Richard J. Courcelle, the Partnership's manager, said the project would come none too soon.

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"As it currently stands, the park is really dysfunctional," Courcelle said. "From a commercial standpoint, using the park is difficult if not impossible."

Sternberg said the primary objective of is to reconfigure parking at the parcel. When a farmers market or other event is set up, he said, vendors should no longer need to park on land now controlled by NET Realty, which owns most of the downtown plaza.

Sternberg said the idea is to avoid having to negotiate parking needs with NET, which currently leases about 200 parking spaces in the plaza from the city.

"It gives us a lot more latitude if every year we don't have to work in the leasing situation (with NET), whatever it may be," he said.

Former alderman Kevin B. Jones, who has followed the fate of Depot Park closely, said the city would do better to negotiate a permanent arrangement with NET to use some of the leased spaces when there is a farmers market or other event.

"This once again goes to Matt Sternberg and company thinking more about NET Realty's interests than what's good for the citizens of Rutland," Jones said.

But Sternberg said that appeasing NET was not his motive. Rather, he said, the conditions of an Act 250 permit at the site require that

the parking remain available for plaza customers.

The amount of green space at the park site should remain roughly the same, according to Sternberg.

Trees will be moved and pathways changed to make activities there more visible from Merchants Row and Center Street.

"We want people to be able to see what is going on in the park," Sternberg said. "We'll design the pathways and planting to make it a clear shot for pedestrians on the sidewalks," he said.

The project will also include new electrical outlets and water spigots to make it easier for special events to take place at the site.

Held at Dana Bldg.

Children's Art Classes

The Chaffee Center for the Visual Arts will begin its fall schedule of children's classes Sept. 25.

On Mondays from 3 to 5:30 p.m. children in grades 1-6 may participate in a storytelling/art workshop.

Children will be divided into similar age groups and treated to folk and fairy tales, myths and legends from several cultures appropriate for their age group with an art project related to the story. Ralph Esposito, a storyteller with the Vermont Council on the Arts, will be the instructor.

Helen Kennedy will instruct a workshop for children in grades 3-6 entitled "Whose Portrait Is That?" Children will study portraits by the Old Masters, create their own quick studies and a final portrait.

Props and hats will be used to create exciting subjects. Children will work in their choice of media and may even be the model if they like. This class will be held Saturday, Sept. 30, 10 a.m. to noon.

A three-week drawing course for children in grades 1-6, will run Thursday, Oct. 5-19, from 3:30 to 5 p.m. Students will be introduced to the basic elements and principles of design during the three weekly projects. Julie Lord is instructor.

"Halloween Monsters" made of colored papers, beads, buttons and more, will be the subject of a class for children ages 5-7. This class, taught by Caren Helm, will be held Saturday, Oct. 7, 10 a.m. to noon.

Just in time for Halloween, children ages 8-12 will be able to create masks or hats to transform themselves into "Bark People of the Wildwood." Using bark, moss, leaves and pods, children will be encouraged to create their own "new identity" inspired by folk and fairy tales. Mary Sautter will teach this workshop Saturday, Oct. 14, from 9:30 a.m. to noon.

"Monsters and Dragons" may be created with clay Saturday, Oct. 14,

from 10 a.m. to noon. Caren Helm will instruct ages 6-10.

Cards, stationery or gift wrap are a few of the uses for projects created in "Printmaking With Leaves, Fruits and Vegetables" class.

Caren Helm will instruct this class for children ages 6-10 Saturday, Oct. 21 from 10 a.m. to noon.

Helen Kennedy will teach children about the mountain people of the Sierra Madres of Mexico and instruct them in making "The Magical God's Eye."

This weaving project is appropriate for children third grade and up and will be taught Sat., Oct. 21, 9:30 a.m. to noon.

Children who enjoy working with clay may choose from two classes taught by Jeannie Podolak.

Coil, pinch and slab methods will be used to create "Jack-o-Lanterns," Oct. 7, or "Harvest Bowls" Oct. 21, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. These classes are for children ages 10 and up.

For information, call 775-0356.

Prayer Vigil Planned For 'Los Solidos'

Local religious leaders and Mayor Jeffrey N. Wennberg will conduct a prayer vigil Saturday in Meadow Street Park.

The inter-denominational meeting was called to offer prayers on behalf of a gang called "Los Solidos" officials say is recruiting in the area, as well as for community teenagers, civic leaders and police.

Wennberg said the vigil was meant to "bring together all Rutlanders of faith, regardless of religious affiliation, in prayer for our community."

Captain John Bennett of the Salvation Army said the idea was born at a prayer meeting last month that included representatives of fundamentalist and Catholic churches.

"We want the people of the community to come out in support of our children," Bennett said.

The location of the Sept. 16 vigil, to be held at 2 p.m., was suggested by Wennberg, because it has been a place where Los Solidos members congregate, according to Bennett.

"We would like to see the Los Solidos (at the vigil) as well," he said. "This is a beautiful part of the world and much better than where they've left. If they are looking for a new lifestyle, we want to encourage that."

At the same time, he said, the vigil should send a message that church groups want to offer a sense of belonging to local youths at risk of becoming involved with the gang.

"These kids belong to us. They are our family, our community."

Babysitting Course

The Rutland Recreation & Parks Department has added a second "Babysitting Course" to fall programs due to the popular response.

The additional course will run for six weeks on Mondays, from Sept. 25 through Oct. 30, at the Dana Recreation Center, 3:30-4:30 p.m. the program is open to ages 10-15.

Topics covered will be first aid, emergency response and basic child care skills. Shannon Watts, who instructed last year, will be back.

FOR SALE LAWRENCE RECREATION CENTER

The City of Rutland will be accepting sealed bids for the sale/purchase of the former Lawrence Recreation Center, located at 86 Center St., Rutland, VT. Sealed bids will be accepted until 4:00 p.m. Thursday, October 5, 1995. All bids will be opened and read aloud on Friday, October 6, 1995, at 10:00 a.m. in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, Rutland.

The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids: all bids must be accompanied by a 10% deposit of bid purchase price. Bids are to be mailed to the City of Rutland, VT, P.O. Box 969, Rutland, VT 05702-0969. Please mark envelope "Bid Recreation Center".

Detailed specifications may be obtained by contacting the City Treasurer's Office 1-802-773-1800.

Girls' Soccer Thrives in Rutland, Field Space Is Major Concern 8/22

By TOM HALEY
Herald Staff

The City of Rutland has been turned on to soccer. Rutland High girls' soccer coach Mike Kinsler loves to talk about his turnout and the number of skilled underclassmen on his roster.

Kinsler was sending the Raiders through their paces at Giorgetti Park on Monday morning. Fifty five players have answered the bell.

Across town at the field behind Days Inn, Mount St. Joseph Academy varsity girls' coach Tim Cassidy was just as ecstatic about his turnout. Thirty two players have reported to pre-season practices at the small (Division III) parochial school.

"I've been working on it. All year long I sent out letters. I recruited out of Christ the King and got a pile of players out of there. They need a program," said Cassidy.

The large number of kids participating in soccer in Rutland is the positive side of the picture. The negative slant to this story is — where on earth are all these players going to play?

Cassidy just learned he is going to lose the field behind Days Inn after this season. Field availability for soccer in the city has already been a major problem and this development is going to make it worse.

Cassidy's field is being taken over for another use and MSJ boys' in-

terim coach John Sivret is also having to scramble for a practice field. The Mounties will still play the boys' games at Northwood Park in Rutland Town but have lost their practice portion of that complex because of construction. Sivret has obtained the Meadow Street Field for practice at least temporarily.

"We're running out of soccer fields in this community," said Cassidy.

A highlight for both Rutland and MSJ will come on Saturday, Sept. 30 when they play one another at 7 p.m. at Rutland High's Alumni Field. It's actually MSJ's home game, but Cassidy agreed to play it under the lights when approached by Kinsler to showcase the city ri-



City Soccer

valry in front of a large crowd. "The MSJ game is just such a great game," said Kinsler.

RUTLAND HIGH
Kinsler is prepping his Raiders
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Gymnastics Classes

Registration is open for the Rutland Recreation and Parks Department "Totnastics" and gymnastics courses taught by Rutland physical education teacher James Lehman.

Totnastics is a structured play program designed to help 3- and 4-year-olds improve gross motor skills and coordination while having a great time.

Session I of Totnastics meets Saturdays, Sept. 9 - Oct. 14. Session II will be held Saturdays, Oct. 28 - Dec. 9. Both sessions meet from 9 to 10 a.m. Totnastics costs \$15 for residents of Rutland City and \$21 for non-residents.

Gymnastics is designed for children ages 5 to 9 and 10 to 13 who

want to learn the basics of gymnastics and improve sportsmanship. The classes will meet Saturdays, Sept. 9 - Oct. 14 and again Oct. 28 - Dec. 9.

Five- through 9-year-olds can pick from two classes offered at 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. or 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Ten- through 13-year-olds can take gymnastics at 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. These classes also cost \$15 for city residents and \$21 for non-residents.

Registration is going on now for all city residents. Beginning Aug. 31 registration opens up to non-residents as well. Stop by the Dana Recreation Center at 39 East Center St., or call 773-1822 for more information.

Alley Common Market

Rutland, Vietnam Veterans of America sponsor event in Center Street Alley, 8 a.m.-3 p.m., vendors of arts and crafts, collectibles, antiques, produce, food, entertainment, \$5 per space, 773-7305, 775-6946, 468-5652.

ORGANIZATIONS

Duplicate Bridge

Rutland, Marble Valley Duplicate Bridge Club plays at Godnick Center, Deer Street, 7:15 p.m., for information call Bill Becker, 773-7386, or Irene Vignoe, 773-8656, new

Senior Highlights

Highlights for Sept. 18-22 at the Godnick Center:

Monday: 9:30 a.m., softball and bridge lessons; 10 a.m., piano; 12:30 p.m., canasta; 1 p.m., mini-van trip to pick apples.

Tuesday: 9 a.m., line dancing; 9:30 a.m., painting class; 1 p.m., Country Crafters, bridge and poker and 55-Alive/Mature Driving; 5:15 p.m., intermediate line dancing at Dana Recreation Center.

Wednesday: 9:30 a.m., shuffleboard; 1 p.m., pinochle and 55-Alive/Mature Driving.

Thursday: 9 a.m., folk dancing; 9:30 a.m., bridge lessons; 10 a.m., canasta; 1 p.m., poker; 1:15 p.m., bingo; 7 p.m., Marble Valley Bridge Club.

Friday: 10 a.m., piano; noon, autumn luncheon; 1 p.m., bridge and whist; 1:30 p.m., chorus.

The van is available from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Call 773-1853.

Senior Highlights

Highlights for Sept. 11-15 at the Godnick Center:

Monday: 7 a.m., golf; 9 a.m., van leaves for Lake George outlets; 9:30 a.m., softball; 10 a.m., piano; 12:30 p.m., canasta.

Tuesday: 1 p.m., Country Crafters, cards; 5 p.m., Senior Council.

Wednesday: 9:30 a.m., shuffleboard; 1 p.m., pinochle; 1:30 p.m., AARP meeting.

Thursday: 10 a.m., canasta, informal discussion with Police Officer Bob Gorruso; 1 p.m., poker; 1:15 p.m., bingo; 7 p.m., Marble Valley Bridge Club.

Friday: 9 a.m., hike; 10 a.m., piano; 1 p.m., bridge and whist.

The van is available from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Call 773-1853.

Senior Citizen Council

The Rutland Council of Senior Citizens, will hold its regular meeting at the Rutland Senior Center, off Deer Street, on Tuesday, Sept. 12. A bag lunch will precede the meeting.

Coming Events

Pet Vigil

A candlelight vigil to honor the pets who suffer from human ignorance and indifference will be held Wednesday, Sept. 13, at 8 p.m., in Main Street Park.

Radio Broadcast On Local Gang Issues

Channel 15's "Rutland Spotlight" will feature a live broadcast with Mayor Jeffrey Wennberg, Police Chief Robert Holmes and Recreation Director Leif Dahlin on Wednesday, Sept. 6, at 7 p.m.

After introductions and questions from a moderator, the phone lines will be open for at least 45 minutes. Residents are invited to call in with questions about alleged gang activity or other concerns.

Flag Football

The IV Suns Adult Flag Football Standings after the first week of play are as follows: Clark's Sawmill 1-0; Cripple Creek 1-0; T. Kay's Tavern 1-0; Pony's 1-0; CJ's Green Mountain Boys 0-1; Godnick's 0-1; Greenstone Slate 0-1; Alderman's 0-1.

Adult Softball

The Rutland Recreation & Parks Department's Godnick Center will hold a softball Practice for men and women 50 and over on today at 9:30 a.m. at the Max Fineberg Field on Temple Street. Any questions please call 773-1853.

Intermediate Line Dance

Rutland, Recreation Center, Dana School, 5:15 p.m.

Beginner Line Dance

Rutland, Godnick Center, Deer Street, 9 a.m.

Rec Sign Ups

Thursday, Sept. 14 will be the last day for interested athletes to sign up for fifth- to eighth-grade flag football and first- to sixth-grade soccer. Anyone with questions should call the Rutland Recreation Department at 773-1822.

Adult Softball

The Rutland Recreation & Parks Department's Godnick Center will hold a Softball Practice for Men and Women 50 and over on Monday, September 18, 9:30 a.m. at the Max Fineberg Field on Temple Street for all who are interested in playing. Any questions please call 773-1853.

Thursday's Results

Rutland Rec Softball
Playoff Results
See playoff pairings

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Rec Softball

Tournaments
(All Games at 6:15 p.m.)
Women's A
Monday, Aug. 14
Game 1 — Two Shea's 17, Cripple Creek 5
Tuesday, Aug. 15
Game 2 — Private Eyes 8, Wayne's 7
Wednesday, Aug. 16
Game 3 — Godnick's/Private Eyes 8, Two Shea's 6
Game 4 — KC's 11, Private Eyes 9
Thursday, Aug. 17
Championship Game
Game 5 — Godnick's/Private Eyes 12, KC's 1

Women's B
Tuesday, Aug. 15
Game 1 — Private Eyes 18, Cotrup's 5
Game 2 — Ferrara Construction/Private Eyes 12, WJR 2

Wednesday, Aug. 16
Game 3 — Sam's Green Screens 12, Green Mtn. Bank 1
Game 4 — Ferrara Construction/Private Eyes 11, C.J's 10

Thursday, Aug. 17
Game 5 — Private Eyes 8, Sam's Green Screens 7

Friday, Aug. 18
Championship Game
Game 6 — Ferrara Construction/Private Eyes vs. Private Eyes, Rot

Women's C
Wednesday, Aug. 16
Game 1 — RS&C 13, Green Mtn. Peddler 9
Game 2 — Hogge Penny 10, Cripple Creek 9
Thursday, Aug. 17
Game 3 — RS&C 9, Vermont Pasta 7
Monday, Aug. 21
Game 4 — Hogge Penny vs. RS&C, Rot

Men's A
Monday, Aug. 14
Game 1 — Sal's/Magic Brush 16, Carey's 11
Game 2 — Johnson Energy 8, KC's 6
Tuesday, Aug. 15
Game 3 — Farrell's 14, Sal's/Magic Brush 1
Game 4 — Dart Mart 9, Johnson Energy 1

Thursday, Aug. 17
Championship Game
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Men's B
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Game 1 — Mr. C's 14, Thread & Shread 7
Game 2 — Private Eyes 5, The Nailers 3

Friday, Aug. 18
Game 3 — Keith's II/Private Eyes vs. Uncle Sam's, MS
Game 4 — Phil's Discount vs. Lindholm's, Gio
Game 5 — Mr. C's vs. Densmore's, MF

Monday, Aug. 21
Game 6 — Private Eyes vs. winner game 4, MS
Game 7 — Winner game 3 vs. winner game 5, Gio

Wednesday, Aug. 23
Championship Game
Game 8 — Winner game 6 vs. winner game 7, JFC

Men's C
Friday, Aug. 18
Game 1 — Feds vs. Phillips & Sons, MN
Game 2 — C.J's vs. Magoo's/Pacific Security, JFC

Monday, Aug. 21
Game 3 — Renegades vs. Bargain Country, MN
Game 4 — Two Shea's vs. Private Eyes, JFC

Tuesday, Aug. 22
Game 5 — Winner game 1 vs. Center Street, JFC
Game 6 — Winner game 2 vs. G.E. Yellow Jackets, MS

Game 7 — Winner game 3 vs. 3D's, MF
Game 8 — Winner game 4 vs. Stoplite, Gio

Thursday, Aug. 24
Game 9 — Winner game 5 vs. winner game 6, MN

Game 10 — Winner game 7 vs. winner game 8, MS

Friday, Aug. 25
Championship Game
Game 11 — Winner game 9 vs. winner game 10, MS

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Game 1 — Private Eyes vs. VAC, MF

Tuesday, Aug. 22
Game 2 — Buccaneers vs. Marble Bank, MN

Wednesday, Aug. 23
Game 3 — Pizza Delight vs. American Legion, MS

Game 4 — Cripple Creek vs. Magoo's, MN
Game 5 — Winner game 1 vs. Tyler's Team, Gio

Game 6 — Winner game 2 vs. CVPS Rec Club, MF

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Game 2 — Magoo's/Security Pacific 20, C.J's 6

Monday, Aug. 21
Game 3 — Renegades 7, Bargain Country, 5
Game 4 — Two Shea's 20, Private Eyes 8

Tuesday, Aug. 22
Game 5 — Feds vs. Center Street, JFC
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Game 8 — Marble Bank 29, Cripple Creek 13

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Game 9 — Tyler's Team vs. Marble Bank, MF

Senior Highlights

Highlights for Aug. 28 to Sept. 1 at the Godnick Senior Center:

Monday: 7 a.m., golf; 9 a.m., resident registration for bus trip; 9:15 a.m., line dancing; 9:30 a.m., softball; 10 a.m., piano; 12:30 p.m., canasta; 1:30 p.m., chorus.

Tuesday: 9 a.m., line dancing, non-resident registration for bus trip; 1 p.m., Country Crafters, bridge and poker.

Wednesday: 9:30 a.m., shuffleboard; 12:30 p.m., foot care clinic; 1 p.m., pinochle.

Thursday: 9 a.m., folk dancing; 10 a.m., canasta; 1 p.m., poker; 1:15 p.m., bingo; 7 p.m., Marble Valley Bridge Club.

Friday: 9 a.m., hike; 10 a.m., piano; 1 p.m., bridge and whist; 1:30 p.m., chorus.

The van is available from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Call 773-1853.

Gymnastics Classes

Registration is open for the Rutland Recreation and Parks Department "Totnastics" and gymnastics courses taught by Rutland physical education teacher James Lehman.

Totnastics is a structured play program designed to help 3- and 4-year-olds improve gross motor skills and coordination while having a great time.

Session I of Totnastics meets Saturdays, Sept. 9 - Oct. 14. Session II will be held Saturdays, Oct. 28 - Dec. 9. Both sessions meet from 9 to 10 a.m. Totnastics costs \$15 for residents of Rutland City and \$21 for non-residents.

Gymnastics is designed for children ages 5 to 9 and 10 to 13 who want to learn the basics of gymnastics and improve sportsmanship. The classes will meet Saturdays, Sept. 9 - Oct. 14 and Oct. 28 - Dec. 9.

Five- through 9-year-olds can pick from two classes offered at 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. or 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

Tomorrow

THINGS TO DO

Line Dancing

Rutland, Godnick Center, Deer Street, 9 a.m.

Farmers' Market

Rutland, Depot Park, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Today

THINGS TO DO

Intermediate Line Dance

Rutland, Godnick Center, 9:15 a.m.

Volleyball Rosters

Rosters and information packets for Rutland Recreation & Parks Department Volleyball Leagues can be picked up at the recreation center any time. They must be completely filled out, having at least six players registered, and returned with team fees by Sept. 6 at 5 p.m. Leagues will begin play the week of Sept. 4. Incomplete rosters will not be accepted.

Coaches Needed

The Rutland Recreation Department is looking for coaches for the fifth- and sixth-grade flag football program. Anyone interested should contact **EJay Bishop** at Dana Recreation Center, 773-1822.

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Today

THINGS TO DO

Folk Dance

Sept. 95 Businesses Contribute To Revitalization Of Center Street Alley As Downtown Mini-Park

BY ALICE DUGAN

Center Street Alley, a small urban park treasure, is coming alive this summer with the completion of the new mural on one wall of the old Strand theatre building, two noon concerts a week, and the inauguration of the Center Street Common Market, all part of Rutland Recreation and Parks Department Superintendent Leif Dahlin's vision of the Alley park as a downtown attraction, especially during the summer months.

The new mural is the first of the anticipated collaborative efforts of the Rutland Recreation and Parks Department with organizations like the Chaffee Center for the Visual Arts and others to make better use of the park, Pam Monder, Recreation Special Events Coordinator, pointed out. The 32- by 18-foot mural was designed by local artist James Griffith and depicts a pastoral Edwardian scene reminiscent of the stage curtain at old vaudeville theatres; it is centered on the wall between two of the pieces of the original mural created in 1982 by Tony Shull. Christine Brown, art teacher at the Rutland Junior High School, was resident artist and site coordinator; she selected a group of her talented students who volunteered their time to do the painting. Work began the middle of July and an unveiling ceremony was held August 7 to recognize the efforts of the young artists and all those who helped to make the project possible.

"Seed" money was requested by Rutland Recreation and the Chaffee from the Rutland Area Cultural Alliance which gave them a \$1,000 grant from the Vermont Council on the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts. With that money in hand, the project could begin, and Monder sought contributions in the community for the rest of the estimated \$3,000 cost of the project. Local businesses and organizations were generous either with in-kind or cash contributions, she said.

Contributions of \$100 or more were made by the Rutland Partnership, McLeod's Compass Rose, Freeman Jewelers, Mintzer Brothers Inc., and Phinney's Color Center (which provided

all the paint). The Rutland Partnership, Pepsi-Cola Bottling of Rutland and Burlington, and WJJR 98.1 were already sponsoring the noon concerts and gave additional support to the mural project. WJJR gave air time to the needs of the mural as well as to the concerts, and the empty soda cans (Pepsi-Cola provided free sodas at the concerts) were all collected with the help of concert patrons and returned for cash to use in the project by Monder. Concert patrons not only offered encouragement and praise as the mural progressed but also gave cash donations. All proceeds from the sale of ads in the noon concert program also went to the mural project.

Food for the workers was supplied by Kentucky Fried Chicken (which also donated some of their big family size containers for use as paint buckets), Capers, Dunkin' Donuts, Lums, McDonalds, Pappy's Restaurant and Ordinary, Price Chopper, Pizza Delight, Seward's Family Restaurant, Taco Bell, and Wendy's.

Other businesses, organizations, and individuals who made contributions include Aubuchon Hardware, Design Graphics, Devoe Color Center, Eastman's, Essential Alternatives, Jack Fenton, Barry J. Keefe, The Loyal Order of the Moose, McNeil & Reedy Inc., Munsat Jewelers, Prime Offset, Royal Pets, A Teacher's Closet, Victoria Crossing, Larry Welton, and Wilson Country Camera. All the donors will be listed on a plaque attached to the right of the new mural; a parchment painted on the wall to the left was signed by all the students who did the painting.

The new mural enhances the ambience of the Alley for the musical performances, for gatherings such as the Rutland Region Chamber of Commerce Winter in August bash held August 8 and for the newly initiated Common Market which was held August 5th and will be held the first Saturday of each month through October. This project, jointly sponsored by the Rutland Recreation and Parks Department and the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #1, is a bazaar featuring crafts, art, collectibles, antiques, produce, food, and other items sold by vendors who pay \$5 for a space.

Plans for possible future use of the Alley taking advantage of the freshly painted "tromp l'oeil" mural include evening concerts, theatrical productions (the original mural was used as the backdrop for a community theatre production of "West Side Story"), Carving Studio workshops, and a craft fair. Downtown merchants and the Rutland Partnership are particularly supportive of plans like this for the Alley, and additional cooperative ventures are under consideration.

clay, sticks, paints, rocks, wood and the woods, found objects, paper, water pencils, glue and more. Work on skills through day and weekend long art projects, directed play, music, sharing and games. Limited enrollment-\$50 for one parent and child.

Sculpture Week at the Carving Studio June 26-30, 9 am to 3 pm, grades 6 - 9. The carving studio, located in West Rutland, was the historic home of the Vermont Marble Company. Here in this extinct and fascinating industrial site we will spend a week learning to carve marble with traditional hand tools which have been in continuous use throughout the world for thousands of years. We will show slides throughout the session in order to acquaint the participants with the historical and contemporary uses of stone in art. Visiting and resident artists will liberally exchange thoughts and critiques with the participants. Fee: \$200.00 Materials: \$25.00

Native American Camp, August 21-25, Grades 6-12 9 am-3 pm. Study & activities on material art & culture of Native Americans. Limited enrollment-\$150 for the week. This camp will be led by Tom Briggs.

Summer Camps:

Summer Camp promises to be one that your kids will never forget if they spend it at the Chaffee. Here's what's planned for this summer:

Hobbit Camp at Giorgetti Park July 10-14, Grades 1-5, 12:30 pm- 5:00 pm. Folk and faerie tales will be the inspiration for the creation of houses and environments for the "little people" in the woods. Walk nature trails, collect interesting plant material, identify it and put it together to make miniature houses and furniture. Limited enrollment-\$100 for the week. Sally Keefe will lead this adventure.

Camp Picasso, with Laura Bloomenstein & Mary Therese Wright: August 7-11 Monday through Friday 9 am-2 pm for young artists 6-12 yrs. old. Create with clay, sticks, paints, rocks, wood and the woods, found objects, paper, water pencils, glue and more. Work on skills through day and week long art projects, hiking fieldtrips, directed play, music, sharing, and games. Limited enrollment- \$100/week.

Camp Picasso Parent/Child Weekend with Laura Bloomenstein & Mary Therese Wright: August 19 & 20 Saturday and Sunday 10 am-2 pm. You and your child will build on a unique relationship as you create with



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IBM

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ge microprocessor operation along the Winooski River in Essex Junction. But there is probably nothing else like IBM in Vermont's economy. Its reach extends far beyond urban Chittenden County. Not only is IBM the largest employer in Chittenden County, it is either the largest or close to the largest employer in Franklin, and Isle and Lamoille Counties. More than half of Vermont's cities and towns have at least one IBM employee, including seven in Rutland County, 38 in Barre and one as far south as Brattleboro. The company has vendors or contractors in 78 communities.

So the view from the governor and all those people working to get the new manufacturing plant that what's good for IBM is good for Vermont.

IBM is more than just a Chittenden County facility," said Edward Horton, a former IBM employee, who leads a business and citizen group working to clear the way for the new fabrication plant. Their effort is dubbed "IBM Fab 2000."

What we're trying to do is put together something that could be used as a model for other technology manufacturers. It could be a package to attract other manufacturers elsewhere in Vermont."

The Bidding Game

It's not often that a manufacturer comes along promising more than 100 new jobs, most of which would be filled by Vermonters. IBM's proposed plant, which would likely be an expansion of the company's complex in Essex Junction and Williston, would cost about \$1.5 billion to build and equip.

The plant would help the computer giant expand into a growing market for specialty computer chips — the brains behind high-powered fax machines, full-motion video computer screens and other new consumer products.

But Vermont is not alone on IBM's list of potential sites. The state is in a bidding war with other places — Manassas, Va., or Fishkill, N.Y., or perhaps even overseas where labor costs are lower.

Nearly every state is starved for new manufacturing jobs, and large companies can often play one state off another for the best deal, with

tax breaks and other incentives being offered. But there seems to be consensus that Vermont, starved for jobs but also starved for cash, would lose in a bidding war for the IBM plant.

"The moment we start competing on the giveaways it's a game we can't win," said Krishnamurthy Ramagopal, assistant professor of economics at the University of Vermont.

Not only can't Vermont afford tax giveaways, he said, big concessions to IBM also could cause some ill will among the rest of Vermont's business community.

Ramagopal said Vermont should do its best to make investing and building in the state as easy as possible for IBM, including an emphasis on workforce training and a clear path through the permit maze.

And in the end, what could matter most to IBM is that it already has a plant in the state with nearly 7,000 employees and the capacity to expand. That, he said, could be Vermont's greatest asset in the chase. "I don't see why we shouldn't get our hopes up," Ramagopal said.

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IBM's chief concerns are local taxes and the cost of electricity. The company pays about \$14.5 million a year in property taxes to Essex Junction, Essex Town and Williston, about 80 percent of which is a tax on the company's machinery and equipment. The three municipalities are working to reduce the tax's burden on IBM and other companies.

But easing IBM's taxes will put pressure on other taxpayers. Still, local leaders say the long-term benefits are worth the effort. "There's a cost shift — there's no two ways about it," said June Carmichael, vice chairman of the selectboard in Essex Town. "There's going to be a little bit of pain, but hopefully in the long run there will be a lot of gain."

Yet some people fear the pain could be a bit greater in surrounding communities. The town of Cambridge, for example, with about 85 IBM employees, has been transformed in the last few decades from a farming town into a bedroom community, with greater demand for municipal services and higher property tax rates.

Lamoille Union High School in Hyde Park is overcrowded and it has been difficult to pass a school construction bond, said Rep. Richard A. Westman, R-Cambridge.

"We need the jobs, but the downside in the communities that are growing because of IBM, facing less help from the state, is that our tax rates are increasing," Westman said. A farmer, Westman added the "suburban mindset" and its demand for services puts the property tax squeeze on others in town.

There is also the too-many-eggs-in-one-basket question — a concern that relying so much on a single manufacturer can put an economy at risk. Shanna Ratner, a natural resources economist in St. Albans, said Vermont's emphasis is best placed on encouraging diversity and small entrepreneurial growth, which can include high-paying jobs and a high quality of life.

"It's really a serious question of what's the vision for Vermont," she said. "It's a question of values and choice. To say we don't have a choice is really foolish. We do have a choice. It's a question of whether we want to make the choice and support the choice."

William Shouldice IV, the state's secretary of development and community affairs, will join Dean at the cabinet meeting Monday and shares the governor's enthusiasm for the IBM expansion. Shouldice said he did not intend to give away the store to get the new plant. "IBM hasn't come in here and asked for a whole heck of a lot," Shouldice said.

Instead, Shouldice said his office and other agencies are busy on a plan to meet IBM's need for trained workers, for water for manufacturing, for lower power costs, for lower local taxes and for certainty in the environmental permit process.

With IBM expected to decide on the plant site by this summer, Shouldice said the state has about 90 days to develop its offer. With occasional fear about the future of the existing IBM plant, Shouldice said, expansion is one way to solidify the company's future in the state.

Describing himself as "bullish" about Vermont's chances, Shouldice said: "I want this investment, the governor wants this investment, and we're going to do whatever it takes to make sure Vermont puts forth a proposal that's responsible."

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Maine: Tuesday, snow likely north and mountains. Chance of snow south. Low from 5 below north to

teens south. High in the lower 20s north to lower 30s south. Wednesday, scattered snow showers. Lows from 10 below north to near 10 above south. High in the teens north and 20s south. Thursday, fair and cold. Low 5 to 15 below north to single numbers above south. High from zero to 10 above north to 20s south.

Massachusetts, Connecticut, and Rhode Island: Tuesday, chance of snow showers early otherwise partly cloudy. Lows 20 to 30. Highs in the 30s. Wednesday, variable clouds with a chance of flurries. Lows in the teens. Highs 25 to 35. Thursday, chance of snow. Lows in the teens. Highs 25 to 35.

Siamese Twin Dies During Surgery

SAN DIEGO (AP) — The weaker of two Siamese twins died Saturday, her heart not strong enough to pump blood after surgeons separated her from her infant sister's chest and belly in an extraordinary operation.

Sarahi Morales went into cardiac arrest and died about an hour and 35 minutes after the surgery ended, Dr. John Lamberti said.

Her 15-day-old sister, Sarah, still has an excellent chance of survival, Lamberti said.

"This is a bittersweet victory because I was hopeful we could have

both babies survive," said Lamberti, a heart specialist who participated in the operation at Children's Hospital San Diego.

The five-hour surgery was considered risky from the start. Doctors cut three blood vessels that ran through the band of skin connecting the twins, and disconnected their joined livers.

"Everybody tried real hard," Lamberti said. "It's exciting to be on the frontiers of medicine and do it well. Sometimes the decks are stacked."

Nurses and technicians left the

surgery cheering, but appeared grim at a news conference a short time later. A reporter asked whether both twins survived, and one of the doctors answered that Sarahi died.

"I was very happy the two made it out of the operating room," said Dave Skillin, a cardiovascular technician. "I had a feeling they weren't going to."

The parents, Miguel Morales and Maria Espinoza, were told after the surgery that Sarahi's condition was grave. The parents were present when doctors tried to resuscitate her.

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Attack

One 17-year-old white girl, who asked that her name not be used, said she was upstairs visiting friends at the Maple Street house around 9 p.m. when the incident occurred.

Looking out a window, she said, she saw five cars screech around the block. She said the occupants had knives, chains, baseball bats and sticks.

"They started shouting, 'Come outside'; they were going to teach us a lesson," the girl said.

"I heard the word 'nigger.' I was scared. ... There looked to be more than 50 people outside and more observing across the street," she said.

"Another girl went outside. I saw Bill being hit. I started hugging ... Bill's girlfriend, who was crying."

Bill is William Moore, 19, the black man who first approached the crowd and the man who Todd Jones saw from across the street. Moore, who grew up in Wallingford, was renting the Maple Street house with friends.

The girl who went outside was Melissa McFarland of Rutland City, a black 17-year-old. She also was assaulted.

When Jones rolled out from under his sister's car across the street, he saw both Moore and McFarland lying on the grass.

"One was flat and one was sort of sitting up," Jones said. "(The whites) yelled 'This will teach you to (expletive) with us and our family.' I heard them yell 'nigger' and stuff."

Minutes earlier, at 8:56 p.m., police had received a report of a fight in progress on Maple Street.

The first two police officers arrived at 8:57 p.m. and saw a car speeding west from the house, they said. Officer Dumas said he stopped the car within 30 seconds and saw four local white people inside.

The attack continued. By the time the dust cleared, two black teenagers had been assaulted. An estimated 100 people gathered to watch as city police arrived to deal with the fracas. The crowd was so large police threatened to use pepper spray on spectators.

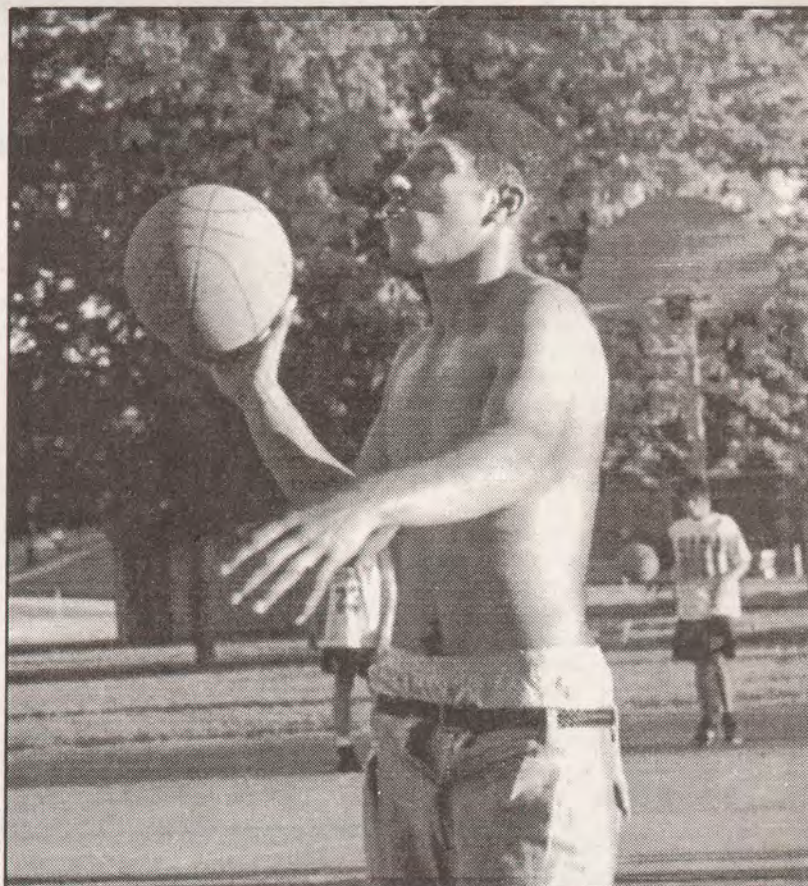
"We took several weapons out of that vehicle: sticks, bats, a mace — a ball-and-chain — a little stick to make your hand hard for punching," Dumas said.

Other witnesses said they saw chainsaw chains and scuba-diving weight belts in the hands of the youths in the crowd.

Meanwhile, Todd Jones said he saw a second car parked on Maple Street creep away. Dumas said he had seen the car parked near the house, but that it was gone when he returned.

Dumas said he had to let the first car go because another officer called him back to the house for assistance.

"We called them back because that's where the threat was," Officer Tuttle said. "There were radio transmissions telling us shots had been fired, people had been sliced by knives. ... Civilians (youths from the house and neighbors) were coming out of the woodwork, screaming and yelling. ... (As a police officer) you don't know what's going on; you want to clear that house. There



File Photo

Louis Morales, formerly of Holyoke, Mass., who once identified himself as a member of Los Solidos, plays basketball last summer at Monsignor Connor Park in Rutland. The park was a popular spot for gang members and friends.

mants had told him.

Meanwhile, Moore, on the front lawn, was suffering from a mild concussion, according to police affidavits. Moore's face was bruised and blood was running from his nose, his head, his lip and his foot. Apparently, he had been cut by a knife, hit over the head with a stick and beaten several times in the head, according to witnesses.

McFarland had been knocked unconscious.

The call to the Regional Ambulance Service came in at 8:59 p.m., and the ambulance arrived on Maple Street by 9:01 p.m. to take the youths to the hospital, according to Jim Finger, Regional Ambulance director.

Police also called for backup. Several city police and three state police officers arrived. Tuttle said he had his shotgun out. Several other officers also had their guns pulled, police said. They flooded the house with search lights.

With weapons drawn, police demanded that the youths exit the house, one at a time, with

after police held the first of several public forums on gangs, Dion Webster and Shane Sutherland, 21, of Forest Park were cited on hate-crime-related charges for allegedly punching Moore and yelling racist slurs the night of July 30. Both Sutherland and Webster, who has a police record of simple and aggravated assault, are white.

It was Sutherland who said in a sworn police statement that he and Webster, along with 40 to 50 other people, went to Maple Street for the purpose of "showing these niggers who call themselves Solidos." In his statement, Sutherland repeatedly referred to blacks as "niggers."

Webster's case is pending, but he has been released on the condition that he abide by a 24-hour curfew unless he is with his mother. Sutherland's case also is pending, but he is being held at the Rutland jail.

Of the disorderly cases, Melissa Boulrice's has been moved to juvenile court. Royce Bradley was referred to the Diversion program, which is aimed at rehabilitation without a permanent court record. Javan Hart's case is pending in Vermont District Court.

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Since the incident, the victims were evicted from the Maple Street apartment house and new residents have moved in.

But discussion about a gang presence in Rutland and, more recently, in Brattleboro, Bennington and Burlington, has continued. Meanwhile, some friends of gang members have had to leave Rutland to get jobs and move on with their lives.

Moore who has filed a lawsuit against the city and its police for their response to the incident, declined to comment. In the lawsuit, Moore claims that police defamed him, violated his privacy and aided in the assault.

Geno maintains that police responded properly. The "bottom line" of the Maple Street incident and the police investigation of Los Solidos has nothing to do with race, he said.

"It's 1995," the detective said. "I would hate to think we have regressed back into the fifties and sixties on this race issue. I really don't think we have. I'm tired of people turning this into a Rodney King or O.J. Simpson issue. It's not."

After her experience at Maple Street, however, the girl who watched her friends beaten and cited for disorderly conduct

their hands over their heads.

"They took down all our names and addresses," said the girl who had been upstairs.

When Geno arrived at 9:07 p.m., he found "total chaos." Several teenagers who were friends of the Maple Street residents were yelling at police, and Javan Hart, 16, and Royce Bradley, 16, both of Rutland City, and Melissa Boulrice, 17, of Reading were cited for disorderly conduct.

Hart, who is black, had to be held back from fighting by three bystanders as he screamed and yelled, inciting other teenagers, according to a police affidavit. When an officer tried to arrest him, Hart resisted. He was then wrestled to the ground, handcuffed and taken to the police station, the affidavit said.

When Bradley, also black, yelled at police to leave Hart alone, police held Bradley against a police car and arrested him as well, the affidavit said.

Boulrice, a white friend of the Maple Street residents, was cited after driving through the crowd

Issues Of Race And Gangs On Rutland 6 Months After

Los Solidos: Victims Or Troublemakers?

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RUTLAND — Todd Jones was in his driveway, trying to fix his sister's Chevy, when a group of young, white local men stepped from two cars and started shouting racial slurs toward a house across the street. As the taunters approached the Maple Street house on that warm night last July, one of its occupants, a black man, walked toward the crowd empty-handed.

The assault that was about to unfold across the street from Todd Jones raised the issue of gangs in Vermont for the first time.

"One of (the white youths) had, I'm assuming it was a baseball bat, but it could have been a two-by-four," Jones said.

"One guy (the black man) made it about five feet off the porch when I saw somebody swing, and he caught it on the side of the head. Then a few more of them were putting their knuckles to him."

Jones rolled back under the car. He said he didn't want to be involved.

In Perspective:

- Gang members here for "new way of life"
- Incident raises questions of racial bias
- Some claim police guilty of harassment

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Police called the attack a "gang-type" incident and said it awakened them to the presence of the Los Solidos gang of southern New England in Rutland. They also launched an investigation of alleged gang activity —



A street sign marks the Rutland neighborhood where six months ago were allegedly beaten by a group of white teenagers.

an investigation that continues today — and a massive publicity campaign warning residents about threats they said were posed by the gang.

But victims of the attack and civil rights advocates said that hysteria about gangs obscured the racism of the attack itself and the police response to it, which included several forums conducted to inform the public about gangs.

The two white men who allegedly attacked the black teenagers were charged with hate-related assaults, punishable by up to two years in jail and a \$2,000 fine. Several friends of the Maple Street residents were charged with disorderly conduct, a misdemeanor.

The Night Before

The Maple Street incident erupted on Sunday, July 30, shortly before 9 p.m., but smaller fights had flared the previous night. The fights involved the same two groups of teenagers: local whites and new-to-town black and Hispanic youths, some of whom were associated with Los Solidos.

Police said the first fight occurred downtown on Merchants Row, across the street from the

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Getaway Club. The nightclub for teenagers is now closed.

Teenagers at the club that night said the fights started because the white teenagers were angry that the black and Hispanic men were dating white girls.

One of these white teenagers, Dion Webster, 19, of Forest Park, a Rutland City housing project, was assaulted Saturday night, allegedly by a youth associated with the gang, police said. Webster would not discuss the matter with reporters.

Police said they were called to a second fight Saturday night

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said he had the weapon for protection from members of a rival gang who were looking for him. Having been held since his arrest, Medina was credited for time he had already served and released.

"Back home I had to watch my back all the time," Medina said. "Now I just have to watch my back for the cops." In Rutland, Medina has been frequently searched and photographed by police. He has been cited on a misdemeanor marijuana possession charge. That case is pending.

Asked why he continued to associate with a group that is known for drug-dealing and violence, Medina said Los Solidos provided him with a sense of family and solidarity he could not find elsewhere.

He maintained that he is simply here to live his life and make no trouble. "Why can't people leave us alone?" Medina said.

This summer, Franklyn Wilson, a 20-year-old black man, said he had come to Rutland to make a living and show that Los Solidos could be a constructive influence.

"This family has done so much for me," Wilson said. "If I can stay here and show a positive example, that's what I'm going to do."

Wilson, who calls himself "Kilo," has a record of drug possession convictions and possession of stolen property in Massachusetts.

He noted that those charges were made two years ago. Since then, he said, he's earned his General Equivalency Degree and is living an above-board life.

He has held a number of jobs in the Rutland area, and has been working at a fast-food restaurant. Employers praised Wilson for his hard work.

He has had one significant run-in with the law here, pleading no contest in November to a charge of simple assault. Police said that he hit a local man. Wilson said he was

acting in self-defense, and that the man had previously taunted him with racial slurs.

Although Wilson was willing to be interviewed this summer and fall, he and others associated with the gang have become wary of the media. Wilson sternly rejected recent attempts to interview him.

Housing Problems

Finding a stable place to live has proved the most elusive task.

After an attack by a group of whites on the residents of a Maple Street house where police say gang members and friends had been congregating, some of the group moved to motel in a commercial area. They were evicted after a week's stay.

They then began a somewhat haphazard lifestyle — drifting from friend's house to friend's house, camping in the woods or city parks, renting motel rooms when money allowed.

In August, Angel Morales, 20, of Holyoke, Mass., and a 20-year-old Rutland County native who had befriended the gang, rented an apartment on Cottage Street, a downtown residential area. Morales and the local youth both say they are not gang members, although they acknowledge friendship with members.

The pair submitted a \$400 check for the place; they stayed there one night.

The next day, after discussions with his long-time tenants, owner Eugene Bisson of Barre decided the new tenants should be asked to leave.

Asked if race were a factor in his decision, Bisson said, "(Tenants) saw eight or 10 kids sitting on the porch — some of whom were black — and they said 'Whoa, this isn't the kind of building we live in' ... The kids who rented it were clean-cut, but the others were not — a couple were black and a couple looked the part, so that scared them a lot."

He said many of the current ten-

ants of the building are elderly, and having a group of young people hanging around would not be a good thing.

Since then, gang members and their friends have lived in various housing situations.

One local apartment manager said he had been approached by apparent gang members about housing, but told them to go elsewhere. The manager, who asked not to be named, said he was worried about too many people moving into one apartment.

Worries Surfacing

Although gang members publicly proclaim their innocent intentions, police reports say otherwise.

Police say the gang has established a full-fledged chapter here, complete with president, vice president, treasurer and secretary. Their aim, police say, is to gain control over criminal activity in the area and to recruit local juveniles who can commit crimes without fear of being tried as an adult.

And, according to police, some members who now want to get out of the gang are afraid to do so, because the price of leaving is a "T" or a "bounce" — slang for a beating.

Roger Dunham, a former West Rutland resident who joined the gang and moved to Holyoke, Mass. this summer, was arrested there in a drug raid and awaits trial on felony charges.

Rutland police also say they are gathering evidence that gang members are dealing marijuana in the city.

One person familiar with the gang said that they should not be given any sympathy. "I was a firm believer that people were making more out of this than was appropriate, but now I don't think they are making enough out of it," said the source, who asked for anonymity for fear of retaliation.

"They lure you in and make you feel that they are really getting the raw end of the deal, but they are bringing it on themselves."

Police

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sometimes without it, according to both police and their subjects. They were taken during traffic stops, from open streets and from hiding places such as rooftops and bushes.

Police say the photographs have been especially helpful in identifying gang members who have given false addresses or names, or no names at all.

For example, Geno said, one dispatcher who had been flipping through the new gang photo album realized that a young man arrested for carrying an open can of beer and who called himself "Edwin Rosa" was really "Edwin Rodriguez," a Massachusetts youth with a police record.

Police Chief Robert R. Holmes said he planned to show some photos to parents whose children have been seen with gang members. The photos would help parents identify the gang members and demonstrate that their children have indeed been associating with them, Holmes said.

The photos are also being shared with other law enforcement agencies around the state.

Parent Identification

Some parents have resented the police scrutiny.

In one case, a local mother was outside Club Techno, a dance club which gang members frequented until it closed down in October.

While she waited for her daughter in the parking lot, three police cruisers suddenly pulled up and surrounded her car, the mother said. Felix "FilDogg" Medina, who this fall said he was a gang member, had been leaning on the window, talking to her and her daughter's friend.

"Here I was, being a good parent," the woman said. "Next thing I know, police come pulling in. One gets out and asks, 'Got any ID?' I said, 'I'm waiting for my daughter.'"

But the officer still wanted her identification, she said. She gave it to him. He then asked her daughter's teenage friend to get out of the car, taking down her name, address and birth date.

Then he asked Medina to stand by the wall for a photo. Medina politely complied, the woman said, but she felt harassed. Medina later said he had obeyed what he thought was a direct order from police.

"What am I going to do, say 'no' to the cop?," he said. "You know what happens then; you can get arrested."

William Buckman, a local public defender who has handled several cases involving alleged Los Solidos members, said police were overstepping the bounds of their authority in this and in other situations.

"You really can't confine someone at all that doesn't want to be there, unless you have probable cause to believe they may be involved in criminal activity," Buckman said. "When your freedom of movement is eliminated, you've been seized, period."

Numerous Inquiries

Police have taken numerous opportunities to follow, stop and question gang members or their friends. There are also reports that they have followed young black men around for no apparent reason other than their race or style of dress.

Police have also used minor traffic violations to justify a stop that then turns into an inquiry into gang activities.

Early in August, for instance, police pulled a car over on Pine Street, allegedly for having a faulty taillight.

Michael Goodwin, the 18-year-old driver, says he has no connection to the gang, but had simply given a lift to three others who do have gang ties.

According to the youths and police, several officers drove up in their cruisers, and one on a bicycle,

then separately interviewed the car's occupants about Los Solidos.

Police took the opportunity to take three of the youths' pictures before letting them go.

Officer Edward E. Dumas was one of the officers there. He said he was tipped off to possible gang involvement by the insignia two of the young men were wearing: the tragedy/comedy mask logos worn by the gang.

He said he and his colleagues took the photos because the youths could not produce satisfactory identification, and that the youths gave permission.

But in separate interviews, each youth said he was simply told to stand in a certain spot, and that his picture was snapped.

O'Neill, the former federal prosecutor, said police appear to have gone beyond their bounds.

"I don't think anyone's going to be able to justify that one," he said.

"If the stop is for a traffic violation, then the only one you can question is the driver. If they are investigating a particular crime, that's altogether different ... but that doesn't include a broken taillight."

But Steven Saltonstall, a Bennington attorney who has worked for the ACLU, said he believed police had some latitude in questioning during traffic stops.

"It sounds to me like they were doing good police work," Saltonstall said.

White cautioned, however, that what police might believe to be a voluntary situation, their youthful subjects might perceive as coercive.

LaMoria said his understanding was that police could question passengers during a traffic stop. He added that police are, to a degree, learning how to deal with the gang as they go along.

"This kind of dropped into our laps," LaMoria said. "When you have a new experience, you're going to make a mistake once in a while — not that there has been — but we are learning every day."

the urban environment of southern New England cities, such as Holyoke and Springfield, Mass., for fresh air and a new way of life.

Criminal Background

The Los Solidos gang, with mem-

victions ranging from trespassing to drug charges to assault and battery with a knife.

One man who police say is a

an undetermined number of out-of-town gang members visit Rutland periodically.

The newcomers say they have

your presence gives other potential gang members warning that we won't be subjected to their tyranny."

He was convicted in June for possession of a sawed-off shotgun and ammunition in Massachusetts. He
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Photo by David Jenne

Roadside graffiti in Rutland Town is a testament to the urban problems some residents say the area has been coping with since members of the Los Solidos gang moved into the area.

Local Reaction To Los Solidos Raises Issue Of Racial Bias

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The assault six months ago by a group of whites on two black teenagers outside a Rutland home drew attention to the presence of gang members in the city. But the incident, sociologists say, shed light on another significant issue: racial bias.

"More and more minorities are moving to small-town America, making the inhabitants very uncomfortable," said Jack Levin, chairman of the sociology depart-

"The problem is that we have to deal with gangs and, at the same time, we also have a problem with racism. It opens up a Pandora's box in terms of what people's motivations are."

— Rep. Jerry Kreitzer,
D-Rutland City

ment at Northeastern University in Boston.

"They haven't had contact with people of color ... but they have had contact with the stereotypes — when these newcomers arrive, they are immediately seen in the most negative way."

During incident at a Maple Street house, a group of local whites taunted a group of black

and Hispanic teenagers, some of whom police later said were associated with a gang called Los Solidos. Two black youths were beaten and injured.

"The incident indicates to me that stereotypic thinking about groups of color persists and that it seemed to be necessary to put these groups 'in their place,'" said Linda Olson, a sociologist at Castleton State College.

Racism Seen

Jerry Henkel, a white businessman whose son has befriended some of the members of the Los Solidos gang in Rutland, said the incident was a matter of racism, pure and simple.

"Unless you understand that Maple Street wasn't about gangs, that it was about race, then you don't have the foundation to understand everything that's happened

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It was a drive-by shooting of a much different sort. Rutland City Police Det. Raymond LaMoria was on Forest Street with a camera last fall, taking photos of people he believed to be members of the southern New England street gang Los Solidos.

His subjects were not willing. They pulled their shirts over their heads and tried to walk away.

"But he just kept clicking," said a 20-year-old Rutland man who is friends with gang members and who had already been photographed by local police.

"Click, click, click. I walked down the street, and he drove his car next to me, shooting out the window."

It was one example of wide-ranging efforts by Rutland City Police to monitor and suppress the gang, whose presence here was discovered about six months ago. The tactics have drawn criticism from the youths, parents and some lawyers.

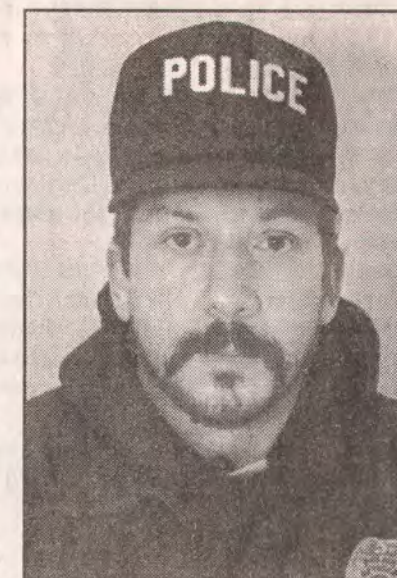
Legal Points of View

One former U.S. prosecutor said the picture-taking episode appeared to be a case of police harassment that violated constitutional protection of freedom of association.

"He has the right to take the picture on a public street," said Jerome O'Neill, a former federal prosecutor who is now a Burlington attorney in private practice. "But if you've already got his photograph, unless you believe he's committing a crime, why do you need to keep taking his picture except to intimidate him?"

Leslie Williams, executive director of the Vermont chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union, said the picture-taking was possibly illegal and at the least an infringement on youths' freedom of movement.

"People will say these kids are dangerous and we have to protect ourselves, but that's always the excuse," Williams said. "I don't think I want to live in a society where I



File Photo

Raymond LaMoria, Rutland City's full-time gang investigator, has taken pictures of people believed to be associated with the Los Solidos gang.

might be in some kind of rogues' gallery because someone might suspect me of doing something illegal."

But other legal experts say that, given the previous criminal histories of several of the people involved, police should be expected to watch them closely.

"Citizens don't have a right to a naive or disinterested police force," said Philip White, a former state's attorney who has defended police in civil rights cases.

White said that as long as police do not illegally detain an individual, they have a right to take someone's picture from a public right-of-way or as part of an ongoing investigation into potential crimes.

"Where they may cross the line is when it becomes intrusive or harassing," White said.

Better Pictures

LaMoria said he wanted better pictures of the youths as part of his new assignment with the police force: full-time investigation of Los Solidos. Months after the incident,

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— Leslie Williams,
Vermont ACLU director

he said the film was still in his camera.

As part of their anti-gang strategy, police have stopped gang members, their friends, even their friends' parents. Police have questioned them, searched them, photographed them, compiled "gang files" and used state "Children in Need of Supervision" regulations to deport underage newcomers back to their homes in Massachusetts.

Police say they have respected civil liberties and stayed within the bounds of "reasonable suspicion" and "probable cause" — legal terms for what a reasonable person would consider justification for a police stop, questioning, or an arrest.

Detective Sgt. Kevin Geno, who is directing the police force's gang investigations, says police detain individuals only when they have permission or when they have, at the least, a reasonable suspicion that the person is about to commit a crime.

"We work with a set of facts and circumstances," Geno said. "Some are strong, some are weak."

How Photos Are Used

The photo-taking campaign began in early August, a day after two fights between local youths and alleged gang members alerted police to a possible gang presence.

That's when Geno contacted the Western Massachusetts Gang Task Force, which sent two of its investigators to Rutland. The investigators brought a shoebox full of photographs: snapshots and mug shots they said identified gang members who might be active here. Local police copied those photographs, and then began their own picture-taking drive.

The pictures were sometimes taken with explicit permission,
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AN AIR OF SUSPICION

Gang Members Here For 'New Way Of Life'

By FREDERICK BEVER
Staff Writer

Police say that the danger posed by a street gang called Los Solidos has spread statewide, but gang members who settled in Rutland last summer say they mean no harm and simply want to be left alone.

Public awareness of the gang's Vermont activity jumped this month with police reports that gang members had become active in Bennington, Brattleboro, and Burlington.

See related story, A-1.

In Rutland, political leaders responded to the situation by hiring a new police officer to deal with the gang. That action came less than a week after a man police say is the gang's local leader was arrested on a marijuana possession charge.

Since arriving in Rutland last summer, gang members and their friends have complained about their reception; they say latent racism and unfounded fears of crime have contributed to prejudicial treatment by police and the community in general.

Police warn that the gang members are here to organize criminal activity and recruit local youths to commit crimes. But gang members

The question now is whether the youths will remain law-abiding members of the community or if, as police predict, they will fall into patterns of criminal behavior established before coming to Vermont.

"Up here," said Luis Morales, 19, "the environment is different, so the behavior is different." Morales last summer said he was a member of the gang.

Here the gang members have found welcome among some youths attracted to their urban mystique. And after months of difficulty in settling into the community, a few have found jobs and stable places to live.

But some still live a nomadic life, staying in girlfriends' homes, getting food where they can.

Morales tried to enroll at Rutland High School, but was rejected because he did not meet residency requirements. Other gang members and friends report harassment by police, problems finding work, and landlords who don't want them as tenants.

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Photo by Albert J. Marro

A vigil last September in the Rutland's Monsignor Connor Park brought together local residents, politicians, priests and members of the Los Solidos gang to pray for healing in the community. The vigil was organized by members of the city's clergy to reach out to gang members.

bers numbering in the thousands, is one of several in Massachusetts and Connecticut known for drug-dealing, killings and gang warfare.

Los Solidos members may be of any color. The half-dozen or so newcomers associated with the gang who stay in the Rutland area on a regular basis are black or Puerto Rican.

At least five of them have police records in Massachusetts, with one

local leader of the gang pleaded no contest this month to a felony charge of possessing more than a half-pound of marijuana. The man, Edwin Rodriguez, has said he is not a member of the gang.

Eight local teenagers and young adults have said they joined the gang. Police have said as many as 18 local residents — white and black — have joined, some of them teenage girls. Police also say that

met hostility here because of an aggressive police "suppression" effort and a publicity campaign featuring several gang forums that has turned them into demons in the eyes of much of the community.

"Thank you for your fast action with regard to the recent gang activity," one woman wrote in a letter police tacked up on a city hall bulletin board. "Our city shouldn't be run over with vicious thugs and

Stay For The Adventure

"Why am I here?" said Felix Medina, who calls himself "FilDogg." "It's the struggle. The cops hassle us, they throw us out of each place. It's an adventure."

Medina, 24, lives off disability benefits because of a leg injury. He grew up in the Bronx, N.Y., then moved to his aunt's house in Springfield, Mass., where he joined the Solidos.

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NOON - 2PM

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(Jewish Eastern European)

4:15 - 5:45PM

Woods Tea Company (Irish & Celtic)

6:00 - 8:00 PM

The New Nile Orchestra (Ethiopian)

Cooking Demonstrations

1:00 - 5:00 PM

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Vendors

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Rutland Area Lamb
Mid East Feast

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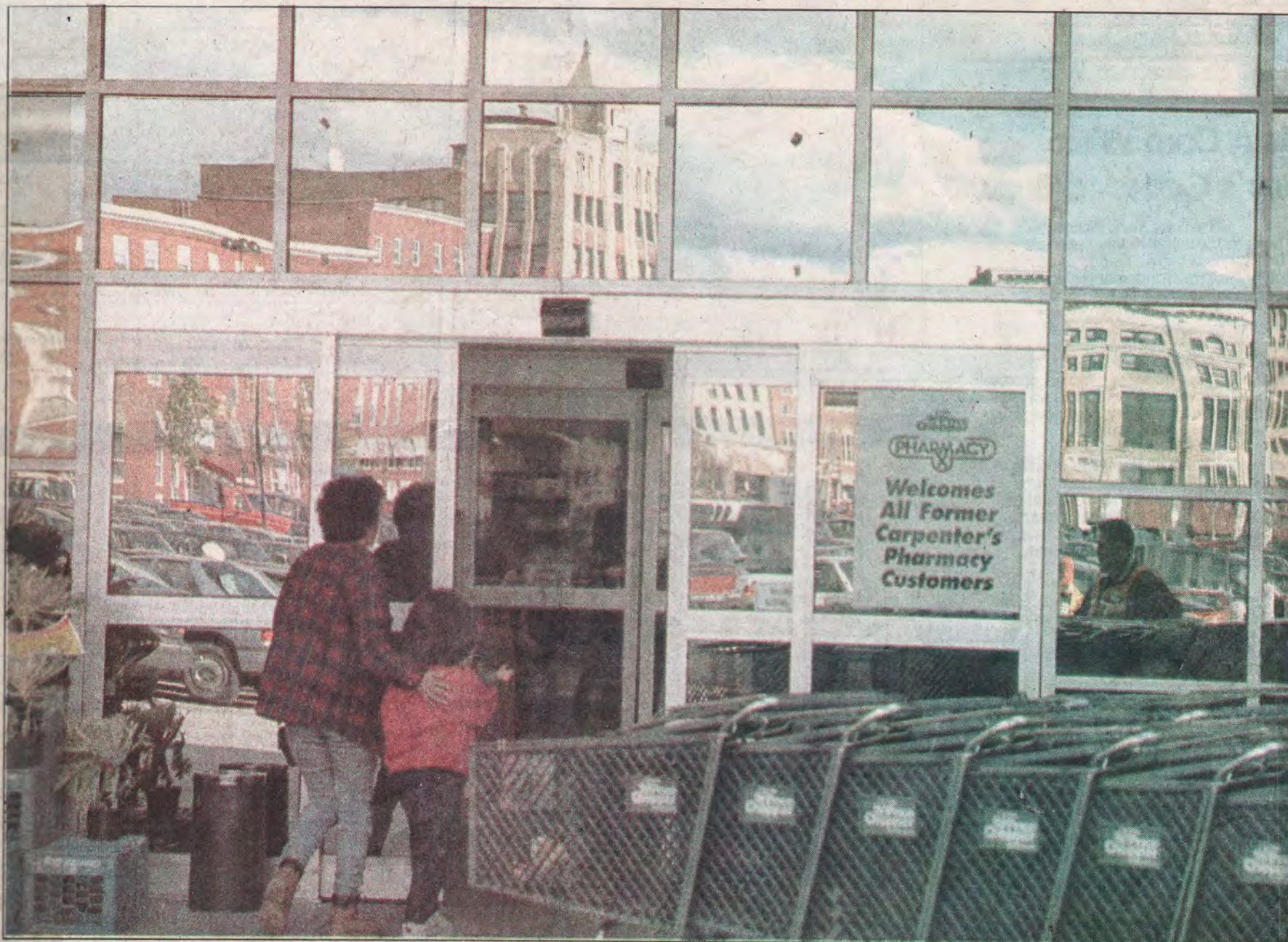
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Staff Photo by Rick Russell

The old buildings of Merchants Row in Rutland are reflected in the windows of Price Chopper, a major draw downtown.

Downtown's Upswing

Just When Things Look Toughest, City's Hub Begins to Hum

By **FREDERICK BEVER**
Herald Staff

Downtown Rutland is on an upswing.

The streets of the city's commercial core wake up early these days, as various stores undergo renovation.

"It's really great to come down in the morning and hear the sound of hammers and saws," said Jeffrey Sanborn, owner of the Sound Barrier music and clothing store on Center Street.

And the streets close down later these days too. "You go downtown at night, and there are actually people wandering around. I'm not being face-

tious," said Richard J. Courcelle, manager of the Rutland Partnership, which promotes the downtown.

"The feel is completely different, and this is happening with the mall opening."

After years of worry that Damian Zamias' new mall on Route 7 south would decimate the downtown economy, merchants find that they are holding their own, and then some.

"It's like night and day," Sanborn said, comparing the current retail economy to that of three or four years ago. "There's a much more positive vibe."

A few feet down the street from the Sound Barrier, Sunshine Natural Foods is completing an expansion and renovation that will make it into a deli and store.

Up the street, renovation is nearly done on a storefront where the Nusantara clothing store will relocate.

Next to Nusantara's current location on Wales Street, the Rutland Area Food Co-op is beginning renovations to the Damascus Glove building, where the co-op plans to open within a month.

And the Bennington Furniture Co. will move its branch from the Howe

Center to the former Great Outdoors Trading Co. building on Center Street, bringing the street level of that block to 100 percent occupancy.

In the downtown shopping plaza, Lindt Chocolates is scheduled to open this month in the spot formerly occupied by Pay's Corner Drug.

The past six months have seen a host of openings: the Back Home Cafe on Center Street, the Coffee Exchange on the corner of Merchants Row and Center Street, Tattersall's clothing store on Merchants Row, the Vacant Chair restaurant on West Street, and

(See Page 12: Downtown)

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Folk Dancing

Rutland, Godnick Center, Deer Street, 9 a.m., 438-2920. Flu Immunization Castleton, Castleton Meadows, 12:30 p.m., RAVNA, 775-0568.

ORGANIZATIONS

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Rutland, Two speakers talk about residential home heating and conservation, Godnick Senior Center, 1:30 p.m., refreshments served; board meeting, 1 p.m.

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Zero Gravity

The "Zero Gravity" Skate Park at

Giorgetti Park in Rutland will have special hours for Thursday, Oct. 19 and Friday, Oct. 20, which are scheduled teachers' convention days. The park will be open from noon-8 p.m. on Oct. 19 and noon-9 p.m. on Oct. 20.

The Rutland Recreation & Parks Department encourages skaters to bring a new skater to the park to get a special two-for-one rate.

Pre-School Play Group

Beginning Monday, Oct. 16, from 9 to 10:30 a.m. at the Dana Recreation Center, a play group for parents and their pre-school children, will be held every Monday and Friday through Dec. 22.

This is an informal get-together and social time for both parents and pre-schoolers to meet and network.

Children can bring their own toys to share, or enjoy mats and toys in the Dana gym. the program is free

and open to all parents and pre-schoolers. Please register in office when you arrive.

Gymnastics

The second session of Gymnastics and Totnatics, under the direction of Jim Lehman, Rutland physical education instructor, will begin Saturday, Oct. 28. The classes will run for a series of six weeks.

"Totnatics," are open to children ages 3 and 4 and run from 9 to 10 a.m. Gymnastics is open to ages 5-9 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. or 11:30 to 12:30 p.m. and ages 10-13 from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Fees are \$15 for residents and \$22 for non-residents.

Totnatics helps develop fine and gross motor skills through physical activities while gymnastics offers the basic skills of the sport.

Registration will be held weekdays at the Dana Recreation Center, 39 East Center St., from 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m.

Halloween Parade

The Rutland Recreation Department will host its 36th annual Halloween parade Tuesday, Oct. 31 at 6:30 p.m. Anyone wishing to enter a float, group of marchers, school or organization should contact the recreation office at 773-1822.

Trophies will be awarded for float entries in the following categories:

Most Creative, Most Original and Best in Show. Special trophy awards will go to the Best Costumed Marching Unit and Best Costumed Marching Band. There will be runner-up trophies in each division.

At the conclusion of the parade, you are invited to join us for the unmasking of O'Lantern, and awarding of trophies and prizes in the Jack O'Lantern contest.

The contest will begin the week of Oct. 16 with clues appearing in the Rutland Herald and aired on WJJR 98.1 Drop sites for clues will be the Rutland Herald, WJJR, Rutland City elementary schools or mail your entry to the Dana Recreation Center, 39 East Center St., Rutland 05701-4177.

Prizes drawn are donations from the following: a "Learn to Ski Package from Killington Ski Resort, CD boom box from Showcase Appliance, a bicycle from Kmart and a \$50 savings bond from the Chittenden Bank.

Following the festivities in Depot Park, the Loyal Order of Moose Club 1122 at 78 Center St. will host their "Youth Honor Day Party" with balloons, prizes and refreshments. Cat Country and The Party Store will host a party at Broomsticks featuring a costume contest with prizes for both children and adults.

Annual Crafts Show Offers Gifts, Lessons In Art Of Staying Dry

By LINNEA ANDERSON
Staff Writer

RUTLAND — Ice, a two-year-old Dalmatian, wore her new orange and purple Halloween scarf proudly around her neck as she bounced around the Chaffee Center for the Visual Arts show Saturday.

The dog's black spots and white coat stood out on the rainy afternoon at the Art in the Park 34th Annual Fall Foliage Festival. The show's 150 artists featured a wide variety of crafts including paintings, wood crafts, pottery, clothing, jewelry and other creations.

"She's had a couple. She grows out of them and gets them dirty," said Ice's owner, Rutland resident Michelle Irish, 26, who also bought her dog a "Pawkerchief" decorated for the Christmas season.

The art center fundraiser continues today from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Main Street Park and in the Armory. A \$1 donation is suggested and those who donate receive a raffle ticket for items given away every hour.

"This weather has brought out the serious shoppers," said Cathy Miglorie, the director for Art in the Park. She estimated that

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Art in the Park

1,000 people attended the show Saturday, which is under the peak attendance of 4,000.

The October and August Art in the Park shows are a major fundraiser for the Chaffee Center for the Arts, Miglorie said. Between the two events, the center hopes to raise \$35,000.

The money helps "keep the door open in the wintertime" at the art center, she said.

In addition to the vendors, the event offers live musical entertainment and children's activities. Sunday's children's activity is autumn leaf printing.

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Peter and Michele Liguori traveled five hours from their Long Island, N.Y., home to show their wood crafts. The couple has sold their work at the Art in the

Park show for five years.

The rain made business a little slower than average Saturday, Peter Liguori said, adding that the show is "usually very good." The booth attracted many shoppers, who stopped to look at the wooden snack tables shaped like butlers, chefs, mermaids, dogs and skiers holding up small platters.

Shoppers Amy Belock and Raina Billings brought their umbrellas to keep dry as they browsed for an hour through the crafts.

"All of the arts and crafts are unique. It's a great show," Belock, 24, said. She had not bought anything yet, but Billings had purchased an angel and a barrette and had her eye on a carved wood hanging.

Rutland artist Ann McFarren was surrounded by her oil paintings of scenes from the Rutland County area at her booth. She said the show was "pretty good except for the rain."

McFarren said she had been showing her work at the Art in the Park show for about 25 years.

"It's one of my favorite shows," she said.

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Creating Recreation

Recreation offerings in Rutland City stand out as one of the important remaining pieces of community life calling for renewed commitment from civic leaders and the community at large. Luckily, people throughout the city are recognizing the moment has arrived to act on the city's recreation needs.

Much has gone right with the city in recent years. Commercial development has received a boost from the successful opening of the Diamond Run Mall and the continuing refurbishment of the downtown Plaza.

The city's school system has been strengthened with the opening of the new high school and the consequent reordering of the elementary school system.

The Rutland Regional Medical Center has managed to control costs in unprecedented fashion, even while improving services and taking progressive steps to keep costs under control in the future.

Now it is time to turn our attention to the city's recreation programs and facilities. And that is what city officials are beginning to do.

The appearance in Rutland of members of an out-of-state gang gave fresh impetus to the desire of Rutlanders that their children be afforded every possible opportunity to engage themselves in constructive and healthy activities.

But interest in improving the city's recreation programs came long before the issue of gangs arose, and fear of gang activity should not be the prime motivation for pursuing recreation improvements. Rather, an improved recreation program ought to be seen as yet another part of the city's effort to renew its civic life and make Rutland a better place for people of all ages to live.

Already positive steps have been taken and positive signs can be seen. A survey of more than 2,000 Rutland County teenagers has shown that that the overwhelming majority of teens believe there are not enough alternative activities in the Rutland region. But a similar majority also believes the adults in the community are responsive to the needs of teens. Most teens think the gang issue is serious, but most have not been touched

by gang-related activity.

The survey was taken by a group of educators and social service workers formed by Mayor Jeffrey Wennberg as the issue of the gang arose. It was a first step.

The recreation department is now planning to hold communitywide forums to hear from residents about what needs to be done to improve recreation programs. The city's new recreation superintendent, Leif Dahlin, hopes gain some direction and to involve the community in future projects.

There is already some history to the recreation effort. In 1992, Wennberg recognized that the city needed new recreation facilities and placed on the ballot a measure for the acquisition of the Great Expectations health club on Curtis Avenue. That move was voted down.

There has long been interest in developing a new recreation center downtown. That idea may gain momentum as the Plaza is refurbished, particularly with the closing of the Lawrence Recreation Center on Center Street.

Other things are happening, too. The owner of the Great Outdoors Trading Co. on Woodstock Avenue has proposed to turn an 18-acre, city-owned parcel near his store into a public park and recreation area.

Dahlin is interested, first of all, in hearing from Rutland residents and from residents in surrounding towns about the direction the city should take. He is particularly interested in the possibility of joining forces with surrounding towns in program offerings and possibly in developing new facilities that all could use.

He is reluctant to spell out a new direction before the people have spelled it out for themselves. That's why it is important, when the time comes, for residents of the region to make themselves be heard.

The teenagers in that survey expressed faith that the adults in the community are supportive of them. There will come a time when the adults will have a chance to show that faith is well-founded.

Senior Highlights

Highlights for Oct. 16-20 at the Godnick Center:

Monday: 9 a.m., resident registration for bus trip and mini-van trip leaves; 9:30 a.m., bridge lessons; 10 a.m., piano; 12:30 p.m., canasta; 7 p.m., square dancing.

Tuesday: 9 a.m., line dancing; 9:30 a.m., painting class; 1 p.m., Country Crafters, bridge and poker; 5:15 p.m., intermediate line dancing at Dana Recreation Center.

Wednesday: 9:30 a.m., shuffleboard; 1 p.m., pinochle.

Thursday: 10 a.m., canasta and Linda Thomas from VABVI; 10:30 a.m., Mr. Corbett speaks on Shriners; 1 p.m., poker; 1:15 p.m., bingo; 7 p.m., Marble Valley Bridge Club.

Friday: 10 a.m., piano; 1 p.m., bridge and whist.

The van is available from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Call 773-1853.

Today

THINGS TO DO

Square Dancing

Square Rutland Square Dance Club has Rutland Godnick Center, 7-9 lessons, Godnick.



Jack O'Lantern

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October is drawing to an end, Halloween's just around the bend.

*Somewhere in Rutland
An orange head hides,
Jack O'Lantern is ready
For its annual ride.*

Strange Doings In Rutland

Things in Rutland sure are done in a very strange way.

The Central Vermont was going to build a five-story building in the Plaza. They had no intentions of doing this. It was to drive out the Rutland Farmers Market where we went every Saturday to hear the music and enjoy ourselves.

On the other days we went up by the Marble Bank drive-in where we sat on a bench in the shade. I counted cars and my wife knitted and crocheted. Then in the spring they were going to tear down the two buildings north of the Marble Bank and put in a parking lot and benches and ta-

bles. Well, they tore them down all right but tore down the nice cement path and the four nice benches and all of the nice small trees that shaded us from the sun.

Then we had to go to Depot Park. There were only two benches there, one in the shade and the other in the sun. A certain person was most generally sitting on the one in the shade. My wife is in a wheelchair so I could push her in the shade, but I either had to stand up or else sit in the sun. There is a bench on corner of Wales and Center Street, but it's in the sun also.

There are several by Marble

Bank in the sun also. Now they plan to tear up Depot Park and fix it up. So now we won't have no place to go except the Plaza porch. There are no benches there. My wife is in a wheelchair so she has a place to sit. I could tip a shopping cart on its side and sit on it, but it's a good advertisement for an outsider to see when they drive by. They wonder what the hell is going on when a man 74 sits on a shopping cart. What are we supposed to do? Neither one of us can sit in the sun.

JOHNNIE and
RUTH FRANCIS
Rutland

9-29

'Bubble Mania'

The Rutland Recreation Department and the Rutland Free Library will present the first of their Children's Performing Arts Series on Saturday, Sept. 30, from 2 to 3 p.m. at the Dana Recreation Center, 39 East Center St.

"Bubble Mania" features Casey Carle, the effervescent bubble comic and bubble-ologist. This hour of "good clean fun" with giant bubbles, soap film tubes and 3-D soap bubble

9-28

Art in the Park

One hundred fifty juried fine artists, craftspeople and specialty food producers will be represented at the Chaffee Center's 34th Annual Art in the Park Fall Foliage Festival, Oct. 7 and 8. One hundred twenty exhibitors will be in the Main Street Park at the junction of Route 4 and 7, and 30 additional exhibitors will be in the Rutland Armory on West street.

Hours are from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day. Admission is by donation, and all who donate will be eligible for prize drawings each day.

All types of handicrafts and fine art will be on exhibit and available for purchase at the festival. The visual arts are represented by a selection of oil paintings, watercolors, acrylics, sculpture and photographs. A full array of crafts will be represented, from quilts, hand-painted silk scarves, tie-dyed clothing, pottery, stained glass, wooden toys and furniture, windchimes, puppets, decorative lampshades, dried floral pieces, children's clothing, jewelry and much more. Demonstrations of works in progress will be held throughout the weekend. Specialty food producers are an addition to this year's festivities and will tempt your palate with chocolates, brittles, herb vinegars, salsa and other treats.

Rounding out the festivities are musical performances each day. Swing and bluegrass artists Lisa Brande and Kevin Parry will perform Saturday, and folksingers Woodchuck's Revenge take the stage Sunday.

"Art for Kids" are special events for children throughout the weekend. Children will be able to make a variety of crafts including tie-dye, leaf prints and origami.

For more information, call the Chaffee at 775-0356.

Tomorrow

THINGS TO DO

Vermont Farmers' Market
Rutland, Depot Park, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

10/9

Senior Highlights

Highlights for Oct. 9-13 at the Godnick Center:

Monday: Holiday.

Tuesday: 9 a.m., line dancing; 9:30 a.m., painting class; 1 p.m., Country Crafters, bridge and poker; 5 p.m., Senior Council; 5:15 p.m., intermediate line dancing at Dana Recreation Center.

Wednesday: 9:30 a.m., shuffleboard; 1 p.m., pinochle and apple picking; 1:30 p.m., AARP meeting.

Thursday: 10 a.m., canasta; 10:30 a.m., Officer Bob Gorruso; 1 p.m., poker; 1:15 p.m., bingo; 7 p.m., Marble Valley Bridge Club.

Friday: 9 a.m., hike; 9:30 a.m., blood pressure check; 10 a.m., piano; 1 p.m., bridge and whist.

The van is available from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Call 773-1853.

10/9

Square Dancing

Rutland, Rutland Square Dance Club has lessons. Godnick Center, 7-9 p.m.

10/9

Today

THINGS TO DO

Vermont Farmers' Market
Rutland, Depot Park, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

10/10

Senior Council

The Rutland Council of Senior Citizens will hold its regular meeting, preceded by a bag lunch, at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 10, at the Godnick Adult Center.

10/9

Recreation Park

Also on Monday, the board approved an option to sell a small strip of land on Woodstock Avenue to Chuck Wagenheim, owner of the Great Outdoors Trading Co.

The deal is part of an overall plan to develop an 18-acre parcel of city-owned land near the Great Outdoors store into a public recreation park.

If the option is exercised by the city and by Wagenheim, the \$25,000 purchase price would go into an escrow account to be used toward development of park amenities such as bike paths, in-line skating areas, and hiking trails.

Wagenheim said that, at most, he would develop a pond in the 150-by-250-foot strip of land he would buy. But Beauchamp argued against granting the option until more information on the project was available. He also said that \$25,000 for commercial land was too sweet a deal for the buyer.

But other board members said that was a good price, and well worth it to get the larger project under way. The board voted 7-2 to allow Mayor Jeffrey N. Wennberg to sign the option agreement.

10/7

Today

THINGS TO DO

Farmers' Market
Rutland, Depot Park, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Mayor's Safety Net

Rutland, Mayor's planning committee for positive response to gang related issues will meet, update on Los Solidos, progress report, discussion, 2:30 p.m., Fox Room, Rutland Free Library, 2:30 p.m., 775-0878 or 800-717-2762.

Beginning Line Dancing

Rutland, Godnick Center, Deer Street, 9 a.m., for information, 438-2920; Intermediate Line Dancing, Dana Recreation Center, 5:15 p.m.

10/13

Tomorrow

THINGS TO DO

Art in the Park

Rutland, Juried artists, craftspeople and specialty food producers represented at annual festival in Main Street Park, additional exhibits in Armory, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., entertainment, Chaffee Art Center, 775-0356.

10-7

Rutland Police Hoping to Leave Close Quarters

By FREDERICK BEVER
Herald Staff

Rutland City's police force has worked out of the first floor of City Hall for a century, but that era will end if Chief Robert R. Holmes has his way.

"The entire place is too small," Holmes said. "Anyone who has been in this building knows we are really hampered."

Holmes is pressing city officials to build a new police station next to the fire station up the hill on Washington Street, to give his cramped workers a little more elbow-room.

Holmes said his 3,500 square-foot

"It can actually be dangerous ... There are people in the squad room making reports while somebody else is making an arrest."

Chief Holmes

headquarters is less than half the size of most departments with a similar work force of roughly 40
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Rutland City police dispatcher Karen Bossi is tucked into a tiny office witht. Skip Mulcahey standing outside in the hallway.

Photo by V

Police

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people.

There is no separate interrogation room, five detectives work out of a single office, the only holding cell has room for just one prisoner, and storage space for evidence and materials has to be rented off-site.

"It can actually be dangerous," Holmes said. "There are people in the squad room making reports while somebody else is making an arrest."

"It's worst with the detectives," he added. "They are on top of one another — there are five people working out of an office two should be in."

And Holmes is concerned that a plan to move all emergency dispatching operations to the fire station will separate police communications from police operations.

The dispatching consolidation will not take place until 1997, but Holmes believes now is the time to consider creation of a centralized police, fire and emergency facility.

Holmes believes that the new building could be constructed for \$1 million or less, although he wants a feasibility study performed to get a better handle on the numbers.

And he believes that given a recent growth in the grand list and a

reduction in the local tax rate, voters may be ready to take on some new debt.

City officials are seriously considering the possibility, and the Public Safety Committee has agreed to entertain a possible request for proposals for a feasibility study.

Holmes wants things done quickly; he believes a bond issue for a new police station should go to the voters this March.

But Mayor Jeffrey N. Wennberg said that the city's recreation needs should come first.

"I think we have to be very sensitive that when we ask the taxpayers to absorb even a smaller increase for bonding any public facilities," Wennberg said. "As far as my administration is concerned, the next priority for public bonding is recreation facilities."

That did not mean, however, that he did not see the need for better police facilities.

"As a long-range plan I think it makes a lot of sense," Wennberg said. "But I don't see us doing it any time in the near future."

Wennberg said that the city's Recreation Department has numerous immediate needs; a centralized maintenance shed, improved tennis

and basketball courts, and renovations at the city's ice-rink.

Not to mention the fact that the city has been without a recreation center since the Lawrence Recreation Center was condemned earlier this year.

"We could spend hundreds of thousands of dollars on all of those things without even involving a new recreation center," Wennberg said. "That need is overdue and I see that as our priority."

Alderwoman Sharon A. Davis, who chairs the Public Safety Committee, agreed with Wennberg that March would be too soon to consider a bond vote for a police building.

Although she agreed that police need some more room, she was also concerned that there would not be enough parking available at the fire station to handle both police cruisers and public parking.

And like Wennberg, Davis said the public needs to look at recreational facilities as well.

"We need to start with a study before bonding becomes an issue," Davis said. "People are probably very supportive of both recreational and police department needs, but we are all aware of what the sentiments are about taxes in the city."



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Jack O'Lantern works on Center and Court.

Jack O'Lantern shares knowledge of every sort.

Line Dance

Rutland, Beginner line dancing, 9 a.m., 10/25
Godnick Center, Intermediate, 5:15 p.m., Dana School, 438-2920.

Tomorrow

THINGS TO DO

The Halloween Parade
Rutland, Downtown parade with floats and music, 6 p.m. 10/30

Today

THINGS TO DO

Folk Dancing 10/26
Rutland, Godnick Center, Deer Street, 9 a.m., 438-2920. World of Anne Frank
Rutland, after-school program for young people, Rutland Free Library, 3:30 p.m.

Today

THINGS TO DO

Vermont Farmers' Market
Rutland, Depot Park, downtown, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. 10/24

Today

THINGS TO DO

Square Dancing 10/30
Rutland, Rutland Square Dance Club has lessons, Godnick Center, 7-9 p.m.

Downtown

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T.J. Maxx and Movieplex 9 in the downtown shopping center.

As Mary Patricia Drown of the Marble Bank put it, peeking into windows on Merchants Row last week, "It's nice to see all the new stores opening — everything seems a little better."

Drown has worked downtown for seven years. Newcomers may not share the perspective gained from having seen the city during the depths of its economic slump at the start of the decade.

"On the outskirts it looked a little derelict," said Christopher Baker, who was on holiday here last week from Philadelphia. "It seemed like there were a lot of businesses shut down."

But as he neared the true core area, the prospects brightened a little: Baker's eyebrows shot up attentively when he noticed the many people gathered at tables outside the Coffee Exchange. "That looks good," he said.

There have been some losses downtown. A fire in the Eagles building on the corner of Center and Wales streets closed down both Clem's Country Kitchen and the Center Street Saloon.

Despite the new boom, property owners have yet to see the bottom-line benefit, according to Ethan

Abatiell, joint owner of several buildings in the downtown area.

"It's improving," Abatiell said. "We're keeping our properties full, but we still have to charge lower rents than we'd like."

And some downtown eateries reported that after a strong summer, lunch-hour business dropped off in September.

But there is still a new sense of vigor. Merchants report more people walking the streets, and more people coming in their doors.

And the partnership is working to make sure things stay that way. A company has been hired to place a new brochure promoting downtown at 75 locations in the area once a month.

Courcelle reports that participation in the "Downtown Employee Privilege Card" is up from 35 business last year to 46 this year — the highest ever. And a new focus on the north end of Merchants Row and on State Street is in the works, Courcelle said.

Key to revitalization of that area, Courcelle said, is the planned construction of a new state courthouse at the corner of State Street and Merchants Row. The Legislature has yet to do more than appropriate planning funds for that project.

And another effort is to be taken up by the Board of Aldermen on Monday: creation of studio and living space downtown for urban artists looking to relocate to Vermont.

Matthew Sternberg, director of the Rutland Redevelopment Authority, could be seen prowling the commercial district last week, taking photographs for a presentation to interested artists. On Monday, the aldermen will give the final go-ahead on applying for a \$25,000 planning grant for the initiative.

Sternberg is also spearheading a plan to reconfigure Depot Street Park. He said he is getting a wish list from Courcelle and Recreation Superintendent Leif Dahlin. Sternberg said a public hearing on the project would be held this winter, and that the renovation could begin in the spring.

The biggest unknown in the downtown's near-term future is the fate of the former Kmart building. Retail giant Wal-Mart is known to be interested, and that suits most merchants just fine.

"I'd rather see them downtown than up on Route 4," said William Drummond, manager of Aubuchon Hardware on West Street. "Any added retail activity in the hub is good for everybody."

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Jack O'Lantern's last name Ends a special way.

It's something people do On a nice snowy day.

10/23

Senior Council

10/23

Rutland Council of Senior Citizens will meet Tuesday, Oct. 24 at Godnick Senior Center following a catered supper at 5 p.m.

Halloween Luncheon

The Godnick Center will hold a Halloween luncheon Friday, Oct. 27 at noon. The menu will include baked ham, baked potatoes with sour cream, whole green beans with almonds, rolls, punch and eclairs. A costume contest will be held for people who enjoy dressing up for Halloween. The cost is \$5 per person payable at registration. Registration must be made by Wednesday, Oct. 25. For information, call 773-1853.

10/23

Today

THINGS TO DO

Book Signing

Rutland, An evening with Vermont author Abigail Stone reading from her new novel, "Recipes From the Dump." Rutland Free Library, Fox Room, 7 p.m., sponsored by Book King.

Senior Highlights

Highlights for Oct. 23-27 at the Godnick Center:

Monday: 9:30 a.m., bridge lessons and free exercise class; 10 a.m., piano; 12:30 p.m., canasta; 1:30 p.m., chorus; 7 p.m., square dancing.

Tuesday: 9 a.m., line dancing; 9:30 a.m., painting class; 1 p.m., Country Crafters, bridge and poker; 5 p.m., Senior Council; 5:15 p.m., intermediate line dancing at Dana Recreation Center.

Wednesday: 9:30 a.m., shuffleboard; 12:30 p.m., flu shot clinic with RAVNA; 1 p.m., pinochle.

Thursday: 10 a.m., canasta and blood pressure check; 1 p.m., poker; 1:15 p.m., bingo; 7 p.m., Marble Valley Bridge Club.

Friday: 9 a.m., hike; 10 a.m., piano; noon, Halloween luncheon; 1 p.m., bridge and whist; 1:30 p.m., chorus.

The van is available from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Call 773-1853.

10/23



Royal Court

Teri DeLong (third from left) of Mill River was named Wednesday as Pumpkin Queen for the city's annual Halloween Parade. The Royal Court includes (left to right): Sheryll Thornton of West Rutland, Dawn Gregory of Otter Valley, DeLong, Jennifer Zsido of Mount St. Joseph, Jessica Salgo of Proctor, and Hillery Allen of Rutland.

Staff Photo by Albert J. Marro



Staff Photos by David Jenne

Ghoulish dancers undulate to the sounds of Michael Jackson's "Thriller" as part of radio station Z-97's entry in Rutland's Annual Halloween Parade. The dancers were runners-up as the Best Costumed Marching Unit.

Dressed to Thrill

Parade Combines Young and Old, Dead and Living, Beauties and Beasts

By LINNEA ANDERSON
and KEVIN O'CONNOR
Herald Staff

Ask any one of the thousands of people who spilled from downtown Rutland sidewalks Tuesday night.

Elvis lives!

See the white suit. The gold chains. The sideburns. The drum major baton.

Yes, Elvis was back — or was it sophomore Eric Getty? — leading the 100-student Rutland High School marching band in the city's 36th annual Halloween Parade.

The irrepressible legend was just one of many strange yet welcome sights in a 45-unit parade that drew almost an hour of glove-muffled applause.

An overanxious crowd made its way into the line of march along Grove Street and Merchants Row, requiring police officers on bicycles to prod spectators back onto sidewalks.

With the temperature scraping 40 degrees, you couldn't tell if the Mount St. Joseph Academy cheerleaders were leaping out of enthusiasm or the simple need to keep themselves from freezing.

Pumpkin Queen Teri DeLong, a senior at Mill River Union High School of Clarendon, led the parade in a Volkswagen Beetle convertible.

"My dad," she said of her chauffeur.



Prehistoric rockers dance on the Flintstones float for radio station WEBK in the Halloween Parade.

"The king," he said.

"Not," she replied.

DeLong was followed by her school's 200-member marching band, decked out in leather jackets, T-shirts and jeans to play "Leader of the Pack."

Employees of Rutland Regional Medical Center waved a magic wand to create their incandescent float, winner of the best-in-show award.

Cinderella and her prince rode in a pink tissue paper pumpkin coach pulled by two large white

Percheron horses. A fairy godmother in a purple cape waved from the front while a stepmother and two wicked stepsisters bickered in the back.

Float coordinator Janet Leonard said the hospital had stuck with the Disney theme for five years because it was popular with kids. Children also liked the 50 pounds of candy kisses handed out by employees.

"Lots of smiling and lots of waving," Leonard said to her performers.

Pleasant Manor Nursing Home employee Joe Tolpa donned a leather jacket and co-worker Diane Hart wore a pink "L" on her blouse to become the Fonz and Laverne for their organization's float.

The float, winner of the runner-up most creative prize, featured a 1950s jukebox, restaurant booths and a lighted "Arnold's" sign. The themes to "Happy Days" and "Laverne and Shirley" played while a waitress served French fries made out of cut-up yellow sponges.

Liberace, Dolly Parton and Tina Turner look-alikes glammed it up to "That's Entertainment" on the Bourn Beautiful Unisex Salon float, winner of the most original prize.

The Rutland High School Art Club unleashed a giant pushcart scorpion plagued by a half-dozen students dressed as garden bugs.

Or at least everyone thought it was a scorpion.

"That is ... excellent," spectator John Sanborn said.

(Judges thought it was worthy of the most creative award.)

Rows of ghoulish young people clad in ripped clothes and purple and green faces danced to the Michael Jackson song "Thriller" that blared from radio station Z-97's van.

The ensemble won the runner-up best costumed marching unit (See Page 16: Parade)

And at least one dog – Enya, from Benson – donned a halo and heavenly wings to transform herself into an angel.

In the Crowd



**Staff Photos
By David Jenne**



Faces



...Well, not just any crowd. Try the cast of thousands that swarmed downtown Rutland sidewalks Tuesday night to witness the city's 36th annual Halloween Parade.

Masks weren't limited to the marchers. The street-curb set came equipped to amuse and bemuse in disguises that doubled as shelter against frost-on-the-pumpkin temperatures scraping 40 degrees.

Sometimes it was hard to tell between man and beast. Many a human, for example, pulled on rubber masks that transformed Dr







Afternoon on Ice

A good way to spend a winter afternoon is skating, and that's just what the Mountain View Community School did with its skating party at the Giorgetti Skating Rink in Rutland. Starting from left and going clockwise: Megan Hagner, 5, right, and Lilly Richard-Pelle, 7, support each other as they skate; Kerri Armes, 12, is bundled up by her mother, Cathy, after putting on her skates; Annie Coppock, 11, raises her arms high as she skates; Meagan Hagner gets a hand as her mother, Jackie, takes off her skate guards.



All In Jest

Alexander, king of jesters and public nuisance, will perform his comedy act Saturday at 2 p.m. at the Dana Recreation Center, 39 East Center St. Alexander's bag of tricks includes Renaissance water spitting, multiple recorder playing, mouse juggling, fertility dances, amazing stunts, pogo-stick bouncing and rapid-fire gibberish. The event is free. For more information, call the recreation department at 773-1822.

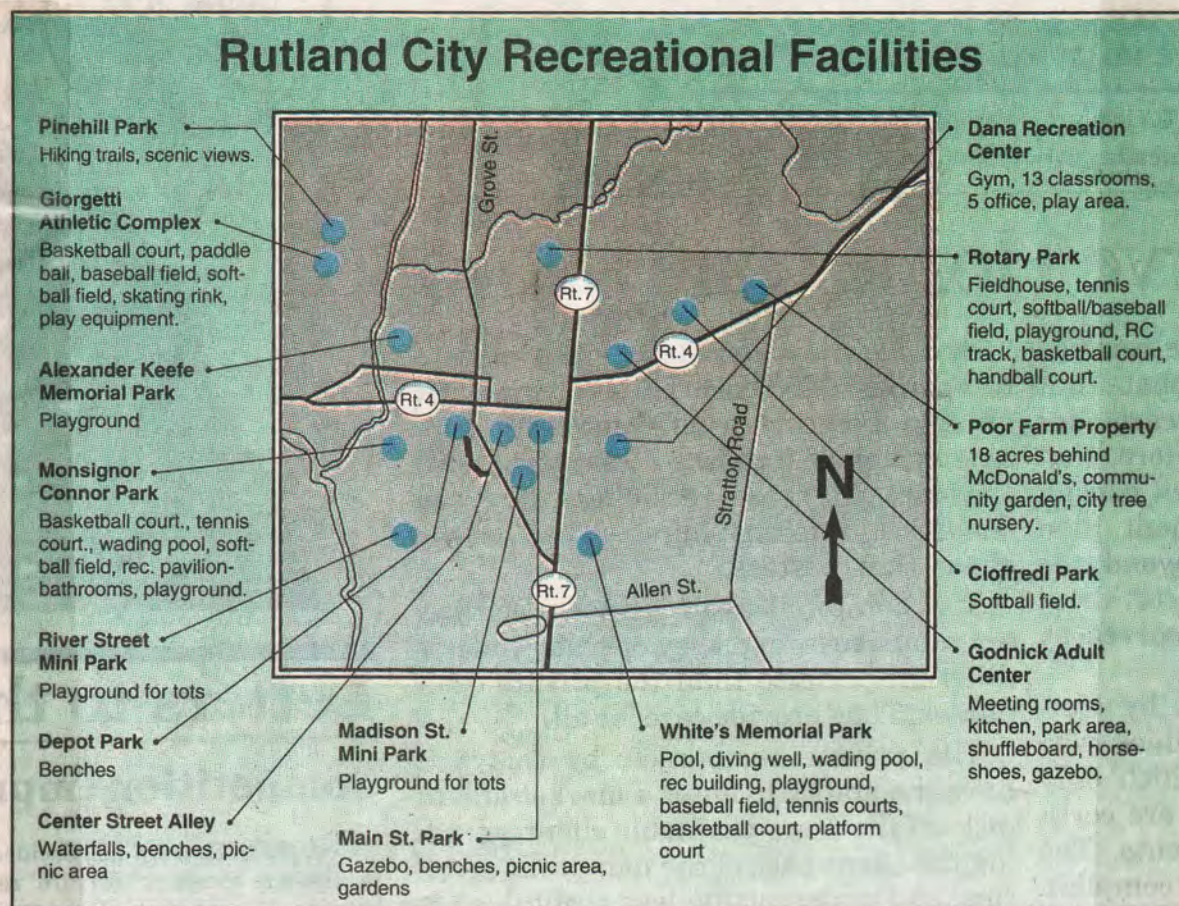
Saturday Morning, November 25, 1995



Staff Photo by David Jenne

Holiday Glow

Santa Claus hears a Christmas wish from a youngster during Friday night's Christmas tree lighting in Depot Park.



City Seeks Public Input On Recreation Programs

By **FREDERICK BEVER**
Herald Staff

The city's Recreation Department is at a crossroads, and the community will get the chance to say which road should be taken.

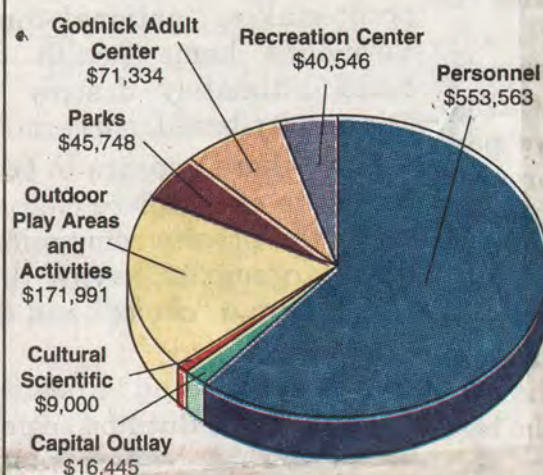
The department is embarking on an ambitious planning process that over the next decade could significantly reshape the city's recreational facilities and programs. The effort begins in earnest this week with a series of public forums.

Two events have brought the question of the department's future to critical mass: the hiring this year of Leif Dahlin to become the department's new superintendent and the condemnation of the Lawrence Recreation Center.

At the urging of Mayor Jeffrey N. Wennberg and with the approval of the Board of Aldermen, Dahlin has convened a group of more than 20 local citizens who, by March, will produce a vision statement for presentation to the aldermen.

"This is a look into the future to see what we (See Page 16: Recreation)

Rutland Recreation and Parks Department Budget Breakdown



Help Shape Recreation Plan

The Rutland Recreation and Parks Department has begun an extensive planning effort that will culminate in the presentation of a proposed master plan (developed by the recently established planning committee) to the Rutland Board of Aldermen and the citizens of Rutland in late March or early April.

Absolutely critical to this effort is the input of Rutland City residents. We must hear from as many of you as possible. Please make every attempt to provide us with your thoughts and suggestions.

To that end, a planning committee of 25 community members has been pulled together to assist in this process. The committee will provide guidance and critical information in the formulation of a recreation plan that will meet the needs of the community well into the next millennium.

The committee has put in place three opportunities to solicit and elicit ideas and information from the community. The committee will be conducting three public forums, meeting with individuals in a group setting who have very specific areas of recreational interest and concerns, and doing a telephone survey of approximately 450 residents.

We will be holding the public forums on Nov. 15 and 16. On Nov. 15 we will hold two forums. The first forum will be held at the Rutland Free Library from noon to 1:30 p.m., and the second forum will be held at the Rutland Junior High School in the cafeteria from 7 to 8:30 p.m. On Nov. 16 from 7 to 8 p.m., we will host a live call-in show on Channel 15.

I urge you to get involved in one of these forums. Your thoughts are essential to the successful outcome of this effort. Please make every attempt to get involved. There will be additional meetings scheduled for public input. Please give the Recreation and Parks Department a call to obtain future meeting dates. Our number is 773-1822. This is your opportunity to help determine the destiny and future of your Recreation and Parks Department. I can't impress upon you enough the importance of this effort. As the old saying goes, "Speak now or forever hold your peace."

LEIF ERIK DAHLIN
(Superintendent,
Recreation and Parks
Department)
Rutland

Today

THINGS TO DO

Mayor's Neighborhood Meeting
Rutland, Mayor Jeffrey N. Wennberg meets Rutlanders with questions or concerns, Godnick Senior Center, 10:30 a.m., 773-1800.

Folk Dancing

Rutland, Godnick Center, Deer Street
9:30 a.m., 438-2920

Center Sells For Less Than City Would Have Paid

By BRUCE EDWARDS
Herald Staff

On the March 1992 Town Meeting ballot, city voters were asked to approve a \$975,000 bond to buy and renovate the former Great Expectations health club and turn it into a new city recreation center.

Although the proposal came at the height of the recession, Mayor Jeffrey N. Wennberg urged voters to pass the bond — \$825,000 to purchase the property and \$150,000 earmarked for renovations.

Wennberg said at the time it was too good a deal to pass up and that a new recreation center would cost three times as much.

But voters thought otherwise, rejecting the proposal by more than a 2-1 margin.

(See Page 18: Property)

Line Dance

Rutland, Beginners can learn line dancing, Godnick Center, 9:30 a.m., 438-2920; intermediate dancers, Dana School, 5 p.m.

11/20

Tomorrow

THINGS TO DO

Line Dance

Rutland, Beginners can learn line dancing, Godnick Center, 9:30 a.m., 438-2920; intermediate dancers, Dana School, 5 p.m.

11/27

Line Dance

Rutland, Beginners can learn line dancing, Godnick Center, 9:30 a.m., 438-2920; intermediate dancers, Dana School, 5 p.m.

11/28

Folk Dancing

Rutland, Godnick Center, Deer Street, 9:30 a.m., 438-2920.

11/30

Square Dancing

The Rutland Square Dance Club will hold a dance Sunday, Dec. 10, from 2 to 5 p.m. at Dana Recreation Center. Caller will be Dick Leger and cuer will be Erwin West.

12/4

Tomorrow

THINGS TO DO

Mayor's Neighborhood Meeting

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12/4

Folk Dancing

Rutland, Godnick Center, Deer Street, 9:30 a.m., 438-2920.

Duplicate Bridge

Rutland, Marble Valley Duplicate Bridge Club plays at Godnick Center, Deer Street, 7:15 p.m., for information call Bill Becker, 773-7386, or Irene Vignoe, 773-8656, new

Property

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Six months later, Frank and Jeanne Dorsky reopened the club as Vermont Sport & Fitness, leasing the property from the Green Mountain Bank, which had foreclosed on the previous owners.

The Dorskys continued to lease the property at 40 Curtis Ave. until Sept. 29 of this year when they purchased the 11-acre property from the bank for \$603,000 — at least on paper \$222,000 less than what city taxpayers were asked to pay 3½ years earlier.

Asked about the purchase Wednesday, Wennberg remained convinced that while the property may have been somewhat overpriced, city taxpayers would have been well-served by spending the \$975,000.

"The alternative is \$3 million (to build a comparable facility) ... so a lot has changed since that time," the mayor said.

Since the Dorskys had a lease-purchase agreement with the bank, part of their lease payments over the past three years may have been applied toward the purchase. If that were the case, what they actually paid for the property would be in excess of the \$603,000 recorded in the city land records.

"I really don't think it's appropriate to comment," Frank Dorsky said Wednesday.

He did say he didn't think it was fair to compare his deal with the one the city negotiated.

Dorsky said he struck his deal with the Green Mountain Bank when the bank was in a different position than it was six months earlier when city voters were asked to buy the property.

The health club had already been vacant for a year, with the bank faced with the prospect of having to maintain the building through another winter, Dorsky said.

Realtor Ray Ault, who specializes in commercial real estate, said a lease-purchase agreement does not necessarily mean a portion of the lease payments are applied toward the purchase. If the monthly lease payments were low, it's less likely that a portion would go toward the eventual purchase, he said. If the payments were higher, the opposite would likely be true, Ault said.

Ault also said that despite increased activity in the commercial real estate market, prices in the area remain soft because there is a surplus of properties for sale.

Proctor Bank (predecessor of the Green Mountain Bank) foreclosed on the property in August 1991 when it was known as Great Expectations. At the time, the bank's asking price was \$1.25 million.

In 1992, the city's assessed value for the building and two acres of land was \$1.1 million. (The remaining 9.4 acres are in Rutland Town.)

But a year later, the bank was successful in getting the assessment reduced to its current value of \$677,700.

City Assessor Barry Keefe said Wednesday the property won't be reappraised until the next city-wide reappraisal or unless the owners perform major work that requires a construction permit. Keefe said there is no city-wide reappraisal contemplated in the near future.

Since opening Vermont Sport & Fitness three years ago, Frank Dorsky said he and his wife have made extensive improvements to the property. The building has been completely redecorated, new exercise equipment purchased, and the indoor and outdoor tennis courts refurbished. He said the improvements have helped boost membership, which now stands at 900.

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want recreation to look like in Rutland and particularly in Rutland City," said Cheryl Hooker, who heads the department's public forum committee.

"This is an effort to open the process up to all of the interested parties. ... We keep saying 'Dream about what you would like your recreation department to be.'"

Hooker's is only one of seven committees formed to help in the effort. Others include a programs committee, a facilities committee, a fiscal committee, a writing committee, a survey committee, and a "stakeholders" committee.

"Right now we are in the listening and fact-finding mode," Dahlin said. "We've got a lot of good people working with us."

Dahlin has been working hard as well. Since the theft this summer of department computers, he has created and recreated a 45-page dossier of information for the strategic planning commission.

The document includes data on programs, facilities, competing recreation services, political factors and social realities.

He has also drawn up an 11-page questionnaire for a telephone survey of more than 400 randomly selected city residents, asking what they like or don't like about the recreation department and where they want to see improvements made.

Other parts of the planning process will include meetings with community "stakeholders."

Those include groups such as sports leagues, arts organizations, service clubs and schools.

As the department moves into the next century, Dahlin has identified two demographic changes that will need to be addressed: the changing nature of the American family unit

and the aging of the population.

"The baby boom is beginning to enter the senior adult stage of life," Dahlin wrote, noting that today's seniors are more active than previous generations.

"Facilities, staffing and programs will need to be ready to meet the needs of this army of senior adults who not only have an appetite for leisure time activities, (but who) also will have the time."

At the same time, the rise of dual-income and single-parent families could force a focus on provision of child care services.

"Child care is an essential part of our business," Dahlin wrote. But he added that parents still want to be involved with their children's lives.

"Family programs and youth sports as cultural opportunities that allow for parental involvement is essential to our industry."

Dahlin also places an emphasis on the needs of "at-risk" teenagers in the community.

Recent publicity about members of a southern Massachusetts gang living in Rutland has highlighted their plight, according to Dahlin, and provided some momentum to the planning process.

There are many problems that need to be addressed, according to Dahlin. Prime among those is the lack of a permanent departmental office — he and his staff currently work out of temporary quarters at the Dana School.

In addition, many facilities need to be revamped, and the department needs a central maintenance shed to improve efficiency, according to Dahlin.

But the decision about how the department will structure its programs and whose needs will be ad-

Rutland Seniors

The Rutland Council of Senior Citizens

Seniors will have their regular meeting, Tuesday, Nov. 28, at the Godnick Center on Deer Street. A bag lunch will be at 5 p.m. The new slate of officers will be presented and installed. Entertainment and a social will follow.

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Courses

Bridge Lessons

The Godnick Adult Center is offering an eight week bridge class taught by Irene Vignoe. The Diamond Series of "Playing of the Hand," (a bidding review) will begin Thursday, Dec. 7, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. The cost is \$25 for residents and \$31 for non-residents. For information, call 773-1853.

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Senior Highlights

Highlights for Dec. 11-15 at the Godnick Center:

Monday: 9:30 a.m., exercise class; 10:30 a.m., piano; 12:30 p.m., canasta; 7 p.m., square dancing.

Tuesday: 9:30 a.m., line dancing and painting class; 1 p.m., Country Crafters, bridge and poker; 5 p.m., Senior Council.

Wednesday: 9:30 a.m., exercise; 1 p.m., pinochle; 1:30 p.m., AARP meeting.

Thursday: 9:30 a.m., folk dancing and bridge lessons; 10:30 a.m., presentation on hearing loss; 1 p.m., poker; 1:15 p.m., bingo; 7 p.m., Marble Valley Bridge Club.

Friday: 10 a.m., piano; 1 p.m., bridge and whist; 6 p.m., Christmas dinner, (reservations a must).

The van is available from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Call 773-1853.

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Residents Offer A Recreation Wish List

Soccer Site, Winter Swimming Urged

By FREDERICK BEVER
Herald Staff

Local citizens offered many ideas Wednesday on what they want the city Recreation Department to look like in the future, ranging from enclosing White's pool to providing more storage space for the Rutland City Band.

At a forum held in the afternoon and at another in the evening, vol-

unteers for the department's new planning effort and staff challenged the public to form ideas on what kinds of facilities they think the city needs, how programs should be changed and who should be served.

Kevin Sweeney, whose eighth-grade daughter is a soccer player, said the city should consider creating a single area with several soccer fields.

"We've already got a lot of different fields, but they're all broken up," Sweeney said. "Four or five or 10 years from now there might be twice as many or three times as

many players, and it would be great to have some sort of facility in place to meet that demand."

That suggestion was seconded by Cheryl Hooker, who is heading the department's public outreach committee. "There are some interesting logistical problems when you have more than one child practicing at different ends of the city," she said.

Another resident pointed out that a large soccer complex could be used in the winter for cross-country skiing programs.

Also with winter on her mind,

Abbie Roses said the city needed to provide a place to swim in the colder months.

"I want to swim all year and I don't want to go out to Castleton or Pico," Roses said, referring to Castleton State College and the Pico fitness center.

"Can White's be enclosed?" she asked. But she added that if the city were to consider an indoor swimming facility, "it would be great to be downtown."

A woman said that as the department (See Page 18: Recreation)

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ment solicits public input through a telephone survey, the needs of those who may not have access to telephones should be remembered.

"Will you wander around the streets to ask people?" asked Ruth Ellen Westin. "There are some people that don't have phones, that don't have homes."

Talk turned to the question of better coordination in the use of school facilities. Department superintendent Leif Dahlin suggested that a new pool might be located at Rutland High School.

That would allow for school swim programs during the day, and use by the rest of the community on evenings and weekends. But Dahlin also asked for guidance on whether the city should invest in new facilities or spend its money upgrading existing resources.

"Folks, we can spend a few hundred thousand dollars right now pretty quick on existing facilities," he said. He asked whether some facilities — such as under-used tennis courts or the Rotary field house — could be retired from city use.

He noted also, however, that each facility will have a constituency that would like to see it continued.

"We shouldn't renovate something simply because it is sitting there, but we need to find out what you want," Dahlin said.

James Neery, a member of the Rutland City Band, said the field house should be torn down. But he also asked if the city could find a way to provide more storage space for the band's wealth of historical documents.

Toward the end of the discussion, Dahlin asked what people thought should be done with Pine Hill park, the 360-acre city parcel that borders Rutland Country Club land.

One woman who lives near the park said she would not allow her children to venture there, because of "shady characters" who frequent the place.

Dahlin said he had recently been to the park to put up signs warning against the discharge of firearms, which has become a common practice in the park.

Roses left the meeting before its end, but on her way out she offered the kind of comment the department likes to hear.

"I would happy to work and help something happen. I don't want to just sit around grumbling."

'Project Snow Shovel'

The mayor's office, through the Rutland Recreation and Parks Department, in cooperation with the Vermont Department of Corrections, Court and Reporative Services Unit, is once again sponsoring "Project Snow Shovel."

This program is for senior adults who live in Rutland City and need to have their driveways, personal sidewalks and/or car cleared after a storm. This project does not involve the removal of snow from city sidewalks.

To qualify for this program, you must be physically incapable of shoveling your own snow and financially can't afford to have snow shoveled. There will be no fee charged for this service. This program will begin as soon as needed.

This year, except for holidays, we will be able to shovel seven days a week between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. Due to potential demands for this service we may have to limit the number of applicants.

You need to fill out a request/waiver form to have your snow shoveled. Stop by the Recreation and Parks Department, Dana Recreation Center, 39 East Center St. or call 773-1822 to get more information.

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Today

THINGS TO DO

Christmas Tree Lighting

Rutland, Main Street Park tree lighting, 6 p.m.; procession with Santa on fire engine to Depot Park for 6:30 p.m. lighting of trees, refreshments.

Senior Highlights

Highlights for Nov. 21-24 at the Godnick Center:

Tuesday: 9:30 a.m., line dancing and painting class; 1 p.m., Country Crafters, bridge and poker; 5:15 p.m., intermediate line dancing at Dana Recreation Center.

Wednesday: 1 p.m., pinochle.

Thursday, Friday: Closed for Thanksgiving.

The van is available from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Call 773-1853.

Hoop Meeting

The Rutland Recreation and Parks Department is looking for people interested in coaching or helping with boys and girls fifth and sixth grade basketball this winter. Anyone interested is invited to attend a coaches meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 21. The girls meeting will start at 6 p.m. while the boys meeting begins at 8 p.m. Both meetings will be held in Room 1 at the Dana Recreation Center on East Center Street.

Why Not Use School Facilities?

I read with disbelief in Tuesday's paper that Rutland City now has the "itch" to begin a capital building program to house the police and recreation departments.

Time out.

The school department last year closed three schools (Dana, Lincoln, and Southeast), all possessing a gym, cafeteria, parking and rooms galore. Why aren't these facilities adequate?

Save the taxpayers some bucks in these tough times and utilize what's already constructed and debt-free.

RONALD BUTTERFIELD
Rutland

Today

THINGS TO DO

King of Jesters

Rutland, Alexander, King of Jesters Public Nuisance, Dana Recreation Center, 2-3 p.m., amazing stunts and tricks, unique comedy act, free, 773-1822.



Saturday, November

King of Jesters

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City's Space Needs Studied

By FREDERICK BEVER
Herald Staff

Momentum is gathering behind a movement to expand city facilities, as the Board of Alderman created a committee to look at which departments need more elbow room and whether taxpayers can afford it.

"This issue is probably one that's overdue — and very timely," Board Chairman David W. Sagi said in an interview Tuesday.

"There are a whole host of issues, but along with that comes the money issue. ... Just what are the voters willing to bond for?"

In creating the new committee, the board both slowed down and expanded on a suggestion by Mayor Jeffrey N. Wennberg that the city seek proposals for building a new police station.

At the request of City Treasurer Ronald J. Graves, the aldermen created the new committee to consider not only the police station proposal, but a variety of capital needs, ranging from recreation facilities to renovations at City Hall.

Graves noted that the city's various departments each had their complaints about space, and that a coordinated approach would prevent struggles over turf or money.

"We are concerned about facilities ... and we do need a long-range plan," Graves said. "We do not want to pit the departments against one another."

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Graves also noted that any new debt that is financed by the general fund will result in a tax hike.

That is because current debt payments for facilities, such as the new water plant and new high school, will not be paid off before the year 2013, according to Graves.

"This is why it's important to create a plan," he said.

But he also said the city should hold off on seeking formal proposals. Instead, he said, the city should send a letter to architectural firms asking for an informal, unpaid look at the city's facility needs.

In a later interview, Wennberg said he agreed that the city should look at all of its departmental space needs before trying to solve any one problem, such as the cramped police facilities.

"We've also identified a need for more vault space in the clerk's office, the treasurer's office is extremely crowded — so there are other needs that have been identified for a while," the mayor said.

"It's like a big puzzle. We really need to look at all the pieces if we're going to do this right."

As Police Chief Robert R. Holmes presses for a new police facility, the Recreation Department is embarking on a needs-assessment process that could result in a proposal for a facility to replace the Lawrence Recreation Center, which was closed earlier this year.

And although Holmes has said he hopes for a vote on a new police station at town meeting on March, the consensus among other officials ap-

pears to be that March is too soon.

Sagi — who believes there may be more room in City Hall than people think — said the new committee should be given a year before voters are asked to make any significant new outlays.

"We need to go slow," the board chairman said. "We have a lot of homework and a lot of preparation to do before we'd even want to get serious about bringing a bond to the voters — I'm not even sure we could get it all done convincingly by (next) November."

The new committee will include Graves, Holmes, Recreation Superintendent Leif Dahlin, Alderwoman Sharon A. Davis, Alderman Paul G. Clifford, and city Fire Chief Gerald T. Lloyd.

Great Halloween Parade

For the 36th time, the Rutland City Department of Recreation and Parks has hosted a fabulous Halloween parade. This is one of the finest annual events to take place in our city, but it could not happen without the effort of everyone in the Department of Recreation and Parks, with the assistance of the Police Department and the Department of Public Works.

For the last couple of years, dozens of volunteers have also pitched in on parade night to ensure the safety and success of the event. And of course, the individuals, groups and organizations that make up the parade outdo themselves year after year.

Special thanks to Smith Buick and John Arlin for providing my family with a sharp set of "wheels," and to Leif Dahlin and everyone at the Department of Recreation and Parks for a job well done.

JEFF WENNBERG
(Mayor)
Rutland

Annual Tree Lighting

The sixth annual lighting of the Christmas trees in Rutland City's Main Street Park and downtown's Depot Park will be Friday, Nov. 24.

The annual ceremony begins at 6:30 at Main Street Park. After lighting the tree in the bandstand, Santa and Mayor Jeffrey Wennberg will lead the crowd from Main Street Park, down Center Street, to Depot Park downtown. Santa will ride on a fire engine down Center Street to Depot Park.

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Ph. # for the call-in is 773-6813. Be sure to give us a call and share your ideas!

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RUTLAND RECREATION & PARKS DEPARTMENT'S
GODNICK CENTER

Holiday Craft Bazaar

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1995
10 AM - 3 PM

AT
THE GODNICK CENTER
ON DEER ST.

SALE ITEMS INCLUDE: CRAFTS, CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS, TREE ORNAMENTS, CERAMICS, WOODEN TOYS, PHOTOGRAPHS AND NOTE CARDS WITH VERMONT SCENES, VERMONT MAPLE PRODUCTS, JEWELRY, STUFFED ANIMALS AIR FRESHENER DOLLS, DECORATED BROOMS, WREATHS AND SWEATSHIRTS AND MUCH MUCH MORE. WE HAVE OVER 20 VENDORS.

Tomorrow

THINGS TO DO

King of Jesters

Rutland, Alexander, King of Jesters..Public Nuisance, Dana Recreation Center, 2-3 p.m., amazing stunts and tricks, unique comedy act, free, 773-1822.



Now:

Back in the present day, 8-year-old "Miss Vermont" Jennifer Zielinski doesn't seem worried about the Grim Reaper while lining up to promenade at a Halloween Party at the Dana Recreation Center.

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Fire Log

FRIDAY 11-4

- 5:11 a.m. — Electric problem, South Main Street.
- 7:18 a.m. — Motor vehicle accident with wire down, Court Square.
- 11:35 a.m. — Reset box, Mead Building.
- 1:07 p.m. — Reset box, College of Saint Joseph.
- 2:03 p.m. — Reset box, Maple Village.
- 3:51 p.m. — Elevator alarm, 88 Merchants Row.
- 6:50 p.m. — False alarm, Lawrence Recreation Center.

Today

THINGS TO DO 11-4

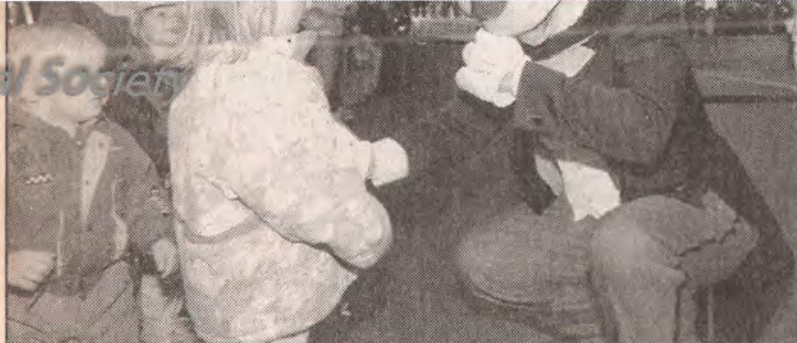
Holiday Bazaars

RUTLAND, Crafts, dolls, angels, Swedish baked goods, white elephants, sandwiches/soup, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; Holiday crafts and baked goods, Godnick Center, Deer Street, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., 773-1853; WEST

Band of Oz

West Rutland School band members portray characters in "The Wizard of Oz" to win costume awards in Tuesday's Rutland Halloween parade. (Story, photos, Pages 13 and 15.)

Staff Photo by David Jenne

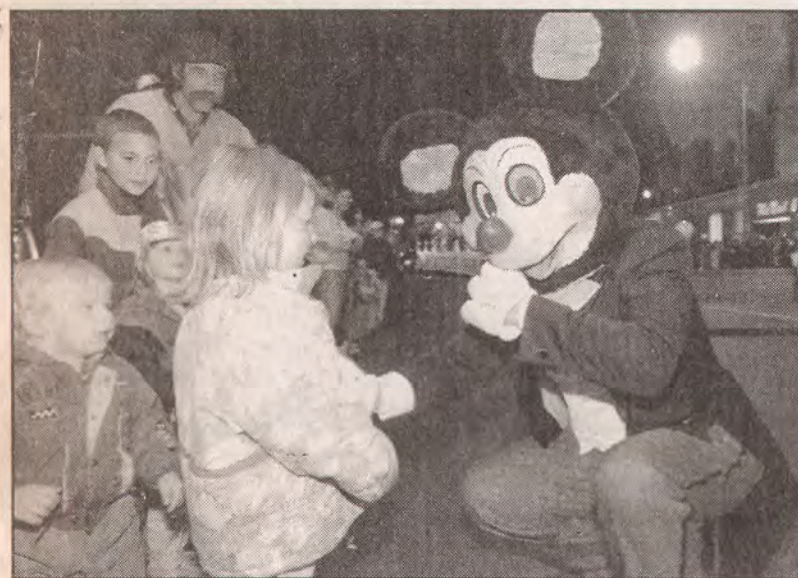


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Rutland Region

Dressed to Thrill

Staff Photos by David Jenne

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Staff Photo by Vyto Starinkas

June Osowski, children's librarian at the Rutland Free Library, reads to 4-year-old Claire Cipriani.

Clueless? Not She

Rutland Children's Librarian Joins Her Readers in Halloween Guessing Game

By KEVIN O'CONNOR
Herald Staff

June Osowski is a grown-up. But she's joining in the children's guessing game of who will wear the Jack O'Lantern mask in Rutland's Halloween Parade.

Sit back and listen, imagine a scene,

While Jack O'Lantern spins tales of Halloween.

Unlike most adults, Osowski has an advantage. As children's librarian at the Rutland Free Library, she can dissect clues with the help of the youngsters she sees at story hours and school and scout tours.

Jack O'Lantern works on Center and Court.

Jack O'Lantern shares knowledge of every sort.

Osowski was once a kid herself. She remembers reading fairy tales at the library in her hometown of Brockton, Mass.

"I was certainly capable of

being a bit too noisy for the library," she says. "I try to recall that when I deal with our seventh and eighth graders here."

Osowski graduated from high school, then college, then a master's program in library science. She first worked at a library in New York City, then got married and moved to Vermont.

She spent six years at the Sherburne library before joining the Rutland library in the winter of 1994.

10/31 Jack O'Lantern's last name Ends a special way.

It's something people do On a nice snowy day.

Osowski hasn't counted the number of children's books at the library.

"My favorites are books in which the author shows an understanding and respect for the child," she says.

Take the picture book "Chry-

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Osowski

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santhemum," which tells the story of a little girl who is teased about her flowery name.

"There's not only humor in it," Osowski says, "but also the hardship of being a child."

If you can't read yet, don't scream or make noise,

Jack O'Lantern likes to read to girls and boys.

Osowski also likes the picture book "Treehorn Shrinks." In it, a little boy shrinks while his parents

are too involved in their own lives to notice.

The book sounds like a new one, but it's been around for some time. Still, children's books are changing.

"I think people aren't comfortable with some of the changes," Osowski says.

Some books touch upon troubles in society. "Smoky Night," this year's Caldecott Medal winner for best illustrated children's book, tells of one boy's reaction to race riots.

Osowski has three children of her own. "As a parent, even though I don't want my kids touched by any of those issues, they are, just by

being alive in these days," she says.

But today, the only scary thing she's thinking about is Halloween.

Who will ride as Jack O'Lantern when Rutland's 36th annual parade marches down Grove Street at Merchants Row on Tuesday at 6 p.m.?

There are three J months in every year,

But one comes first to Jack O'Lantern's ear.

June Osowski has a clue who will wear the mask tonight. And she'll be at the unveiling after the parade to see if she's right.

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Nov. 11, 13 and 15

Senior Highlights

Highlights for Nov. 14-17 at the Godnick Center:

Tuesday: 9:30 a.m., line dancing and painting class; 1 p.m., Country Crafters, bridge and poker; 5 p.m., Senior Council; 5:15 p.m., intermediate line dancing at Dana Recreation Center.

Wednesday: 9:30 a.m., exercise; 11:30 a.m., Lunch Bunch to Friendly's and Diamond Run Mall; 1 p.m., pinochle.

Thursday: 9 a.m., folk dancing; 10 a.m., canasta and Linda Thompson from Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired; 1 p.m., poker; 1:15 p.m., bingo; 7 p.m., Marble Valley Bridge Club.

Friday: 9 a.m., hike; 10 a.m., piano; 1 p.m., bridge and whist.

The van is available from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Call 773-1853.

Folk Dancing 8/16
Rutland, Godnick Center, Deer Street,
9:30 a.m., 438-2920.

Folk Dancing 11/15
Rutland, Godnick Center, Deer Street,
9:30 a.m., 438-2920.

Mayor's Neighborhood Meeting 8/16
Rutland, Bardwell House, noon; Dana
Recreation Center, 7:30 p.m.; 773-1800.

Community Forums Are Held This Week

Mayor Jeffrey N. Wennberg's annual community forums will continue this week on Wednesday and Thursday. Members of the public are invited to attend and comment on city government and services.

On Wednesday, the mayor will be at Sheldon Towers at 11 a.m.

Two forums are planned Thursday: noon at the Bardwell House, and 7:30 p.m. at the Dana Recreation Center on East Street. 11/13

Senior Citizens Council
Rutland Council of Senior Citizens will meet Tuesday, Nov. 14, at Godnick Center. A bag lunch will precede the meeting at 5 p.m. There will also be entertainment. 11-13

Line Dance 11/14
Rutland, Beginners can learn line dancing, Godnick Center, 9:30 a.m., 438-2920; intermediate dancers, Dana School, 5 p.m.

Mayor's Neighborhood Meeting 11/18
Rutland, Bardwell House, noon; Dana Recreation Center, 7:30 p.m.; 773-1800.



Jack O'Lantern 10/25

All around the county children (and adults) are busy preparing their costumes for Halloween night. In Rutland City it's time again for area schoolchildren to try to figure out the identity of this year's Jack O'Lantern, who will be revealed at the 36th annual Halloween Parade, Oct. 31. Watch this space for more clues to Jack O'Lantern's identity.

If you can't read yet, don't scream or make noise, Jack O'Lantern likes to read to girls and boys.

Calendar Today 10/31

THINGS TO DO

The Halloween Parade

Rutland, Famous downtown parade with floats, music, fun, 6:30 p.m.

Highlights for Oct. 30 to Nov. 3 at the Godnick Center:

Monday: 9:30 a.m., bridge lessons, exercise; 10:30 a.m., piano; 12:30 p.m., canasta; 1:30 p.m.,

Tuesday: 9 a.m., line dancing; 9:30 a.m., painting; 1 p.m., Country Crafters, bridge and poker; 5:15 p.m., intermediate line dancing at Dana Recreation Center.

Wednesday: 9:30 a.m., exercise and shuffleboard; 1 p.m., pinochle.

Thursday: 10 a.m., canasta; 1 p.m., poker; 1:15 p.m., bingo; 7 p.m., Marble Valley Bridge Club.

Friday: 9 a.m., hike; 10 a.m., piano; 1 p.m., whist and bridge.

The van is available from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Call 773-1853.

Breakfast for Seniors 11/20

The Rutland Intermediate School's 7th and 8th grade girls' soccer team and O'Raine & Sun Painting Company will be hosting a free breakfast for senior citizens at the Godnick Center Saturday, Nov. 11, from 7:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Please register at the Godnick Center by Nov. 8. If you need a ride or have any questions, call the Godnick Center at 773-1853.

Duplicate Bridge 11-1

Rutland, Marble Valley Duplicate Bridge Club plays at Godnick Center, Deer Street, 7:15 p.m., for information call Bill Becker, 773-7386, or Irene Vignoe, 773-8656, new players welcome.

Duplicate Bridge 11-2

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Halloween Parade 10/2

Mark your calendar — Halloween night, Tuesday, Oct. 31, at 6:30 p.m., the annual Rutland City Halloween Parade will kick off, starting by CVPS at the corner of Grove and Williams streets.

Line-up will begin at 5:45 p.m. at the corner of Oak and Grove streets, and including Crescent Street, Park Avenue, Seabury Street and the north side of Library Avenue.

The parade will continue down Grove Street/Merchants Row, ending by Washington Street and Merchants Row. Marchers are asked to turn in to the old Kmart plaza by Washington Street.

School buses for area bands are also asked to park in the plaza after leaving their students off in their designated section.

Line-up information, including your section, map and other information, will be mailed by Thursday, Oct. 27.

All awarding of trophies and prizes, unveiling of "Jack O'Lantern" and festivities will take place in Depot Park at the judges' stand.

Prizes in the Jack O'Lantern contest are donations from Killington with a learn-to-ski package, a bicycle from Kmart, and a boombox

Folk Dancing 11-2

Rutland, Godnick Center, Deer Street, 9 a.m., 438-2920. North Clarendon, Poets Ellen Dudley of Marlboro and Martha Rhodes read from work, Amelia's Canteen, Rutland State Airport, 8 p.m., benefit of anti-hunger project, free, but donations to local foodbanks and nutrition programs, reservations for dinner only, 5-7 p.m., 773-3381; information, 492-3550.

Senior Highlights

Highlights at the Godnick Center, Nov. 8-11.

Wednesday: 8:30 a.m., van trip; 9:30 a.m., exercise; 1 p.m., pinochle; 1:30 p.m. AARP meeting.

Thursday: 9:30 a.m., folk dance; 10 a.m., canasta; 10:30 a.m., Officer Gorruso on Neighborhood Watch; 1 p.m., poker; 1:15 p.m., bingo; 7 p.m., Marble Valley Bridge Club.

Friday: Closed.

Saturday: 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., free senior breakfast. Pre-registration is required.

The van is available from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Call 773-1853.

donated by the Recreation Department and Showcase Appliance

Participants are asked to keep an even distance between groups and perform only in front of the judges' stand. Leading off the parade this year (along with the mayor) will be this year's Pumpkin Queen, Teri DeLong of Mill River, followed by the MRUHS band.

Other bands participating will be Proctor High School, Rutland High School, West Rutland High School, Fair Haven Union High School and Barstow Memorial School.

Other entries include Pleasant Manor Nursing Home, Z-97 Radio, Rutland High School Art Club, Bourne Beautiful, Cat Country Radio, Rutland Herald, WEQX Radio, WJJR Radio, Resurrection Ranch, Mountain View Community School, Rutland Area Vehicle Enthusiasts, Rutland Area Visiting Nurses, Jim McKinnel and Co., Happy Bat Studio, Cub Scout Pack 104, "Rutland Kids," Rutland Regional Chamber of Commerce, Colgan Air, Community College of Vermont and Castleton State College Alumni.

Immediately following the festivities in Depot Park, the Loyal Order of Moose 1122 will host "Youth Honor Day Party," with prizes and refreshments.

Cat Country and The Party Store will host a party at Broomsticks featuring a costume contest with prizes for both children and adults.

What's the RHS Parade Entry? Just Wait and See 10/30

They brought you the 11-foot-tall block dragged through downtown by ragged druids.

The eight-foot-tall ball of videotape that swallowed dazed viewers who stumbled off the sidewalk.

The oil-soaked globe led not by a carrot on a stick, but by a dollar sign.

The weapons carrier painted in a camouflage coat of baby pink and blue to play up spiraling world population.

The Rutland High School Art Club again is on the lineup of the city's annual Halloween parade. And as usual, you'll have to wait until parade kickoff to see what they kick up.

"I don't know if it will be too shocking," art teacher Steve Halford says, "but it will have a message."

The parade will proceed down Grove Street and Merchants Row Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. Pumpkin Queen Teri DeLong, a senior at Mill River Union High School of Clarendon, will lead the march, followed by her school band.

Other participating school bands include Rutland High, Barstow Memorial of Chittenden, Fair Haven Union High, Proctor High and West Rutland High.

Line Dance 11-6

Rutland, Beginners can learn line dancing, Godnick Center, 9:30 a.m., 438-2920; intermediate dancers, Dana School, 5 p.m.

Travel Series

Boston Bus Trip 11-2

The Rutland Recreation and Parks Department's Godnick Center

is sponsoring a bus trip to Boston, Mass., for an Inner Harbor Cruise with holiday buffet and entertainment on Dec. 8.

After the cruise of the harbor we will tour the John F. Kennedy Library. Registration is on-going now at the Godnick Adult Center. The fee is \$43 (nonresidents add \$6) and is payable at time of registration.

The Vermont Transit bus will leave Godnick Center at 7:30 a.m. and return at 7:30 p.m. For more information call 773-1853.

Salem Bus Trip 11-2

The Rutland Recreation Department's Godnick Center is sponsoring a bus trip to the The Mall at Rockingham Park in Salem, N.H., on Wednesday, Nov. 8.

Registration is ongoing at the Godnick Center. The fee is \$14 for residents, \$20 for non-residents and is payable at registration.

The Vermont Transit bus will leave the center at 7 a.m. and return at 6 p.m. Call 773-1853.

Breakfast for Seniors

The Rutland Intermediate School's 7th and 8th grade girls' soccer team and O'Raine & Sun Painting Company will be hosting free breakfast for senior citizens at the Godnick Center Saturday, Nov. 11, from 7:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Please register at the Godnick Center by Nov. 8. If you need a ride or have any questions, call the Godnick Center at 773-1853.

Recreation Planning 11/6

The Rutland Recreation Department has begun a planning process which will examine the program offered to the community.

The planning team is seeking suggestions from Rutland City residents. The public will have a chance to share ideas at two public forums and a call-in event.

The forums will be held Wednesday, Nov. 15, at the Fox Room of Rutland Free Library, noon to 1 p.m., and the cafeteria of Rutland Junior High School on Library Avenue from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

A telephone call-in will be held Nov. 16 at Rutland Community Television from 7 to 8 p.m. Numbers are 773-6813 and 773-4976.

The public is asked to send suggestions to the Rutland Recreation Department, 39 East Center Rutland, Vt., 05701-4177.

Rutland Region

Recreation Department Programs

Aerobics

The Rutland Recreation Department under the direction of Linda Mable Fay is offering aerobics at Dana Recreation Center on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. from Jan. 2 to March 14 for a series of 22 classes. The program is an overall fitness workout choreographed to music, emphasizing safety and using target heart rates to achieve fitness goals. Aerobics and body toning will be offered in a comfortable setting. Bring your own mat, dress comfortably and wear appropriate sneakers. The cost is \$34 for residents and \$41 for non-residents. Registration is ongoing at Dana Recreation Center.

Jewelry Making

The Rutland Recreation Department is offering a beginners jewelry making class for students ages 7 to 9 on Wednesdays from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. from Jan. 3 to Feb. 7 at the Dana Recreation Center. The cost is \$15 for residents and \$22 for non-residents with a \$5 lab fee payable at the time of registration. Rosemary Anderson will instruct the basics of jewelry making that the child will be proud to wear and give as gifts. Registration is ongoing at Dana Recreation Center, 39 East Center St., Rutland, weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m.

Western Jewelry

The Rutland Recreation Department is offering an intermediate "Western Style Jewelry Making Class" on Thursdays from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. at Dana Recreation Center from Jan. 4 to Feb. 8. The program is open to ages 10 to 15. The Western style items to be designed,

among others, will include earrings and barrettes. The cost is \$15 for residents and \$22 for non-residents with a lab fee of \$5 payable at the time of registration. Registration is ongoing at Dana Recreation Center, 39 East Center St., Rutland, weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m.

Photo Preservation

The Rutland Recreation Department under the direction of Lisa Perry will offer a one-evening class in "Introduction to Photo Preservation" on Thursday, Jan. 4, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at Dana Recreation Center. The cost is \$10 for residents and \$17 for non-residents with a lab fee of \$8. Learn to organize your boxes of photos and memorabilia into a unique, attractive and photo-safe family album. Please bring photos to use and a pair of scissors. Learn quick tips on organizing and preserving your photos and writing your family story into a keepsake photo album.

A series of four classes on "Photo Preservation Creative Memories," will be held on Thursday from Jan. 18 to Feb. 8, from 7 to 9 p.m. You will learn advanced techniques in page layout designs for documenting your family history. The cost for this class is \$25 for residents and \$32 for non-residents, with a lab fee of \$35 for materials payable at the time of registration. Registration is ongoing at Dana Recreation Center, 39 East Center St., Rutland, weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m.

Totnastics

The Rutland Recreation Department will offer its popular "Totnastics" program for ages 3 and 4 on Saturdays from 9 to 10 a.m. This class is geared to develop fine and gross motor skills and being introduced to physical activities.

"Gymnastics" will be offered for ages 5-8 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. and ages 9-13 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Saturdays. Learn the basics of gymnastics, acquire skills and improve sportsmanship while having a great time.

Both programs are held at Northwest School gym under the direction of Jim Lehman, area physical education instructor. These popular programs run on Saturdays from Jan. 6 to Feb. 10. Fees are \$15 for residents and \$22 for non-residents. Registration is on-going at the Recreation office weekdays 8:30 to noon and 1 to 5 p.m. at 39 East Center St. Class size is limited. A second session will be held from Feb. 24 to March 30.

Socializing

The Rutland Recreation Department, located at 39 East Center St., is again offering space for parents and children to socialize on Monday and Wednesday mornings from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Dana Recreation Center gym. Gym mats and toys are available, but if you like, you are welcome to bring your own. The program "Children and Parent Play Group," is designed for children from 6 months through 5 years

and for their parents. Join us for networking and socializing. This program has been on-going throughout the fall, but met on Mondays and Fridays. The new schedule of Mondays and Wednesdays begins January 8.

Public Skating

The Giorgetti Ice Rink at Giorgetti Park has opened for the season.

The hours are as follows: Saturdays and Sunday from 1-7 p.m.; Mondays and Tuesdays from 3-7 p.m.; Wednesdays from 5-8 p.m.; Thursdays from 3-6 p.m.; and Fridays from 3-9 p.m.

The admission charge is \$1 for adults and 50 cents for students aged 17 and under.

As of Jan. 3, the rink will also be open on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays from 10 a.m.-noon for adult skating. The fee is \$1.

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Rec Schedule

The Dana Recreation Center on East Center Street in Rutland will be open for boys and girls during the holiday vacation. The activity will be supervised and the fee is 50 cents.

The schedule: Dec. 26: 9-11:30 a.m. for seventh and eighth grade boys and girls and 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. for boys and girls in grades 9-12.

Dec. 27-29: 9-10:30 a.m. for third and fourth grade boys and girls and 10:30 a.m. to noon for fifth and sixth grade boys and girls; 1-2:30 p.m. for seventh and eighth grade boys and girls; 2:30-4 p.m. for boys and girls in grades 9-12.

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Senior Highlights

Highlights for Jan. 1-5 at the Godnick Center:

Monday: New Year's Day.

Tuesday: 9:30 a.m., line dancing and painting class; 1 p.m., Country Crafters, bridge and poker.

Wednesday: 9:30 a.m., exercise; 1 p.m., pinochle.

Thursday: 9:30 a.m., folk dancing, bridge lessons; 10 a.m., canasta; 1 p.m., poker; 1:15 p.m., bingo; 7 p.m., Marble Valley Bridge Club.

Friday: 9 a.m. cross country skiing at Mountain Meadows; 10 a.m., piano; 1 p.m., bridge and whist; 1:30 p.m., chorus.

The van is available from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Call 773-1853.

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Women's Self Defense

The Rutland Recreation and Parks Department, in cooperation with the New England Martial Arts Centre at 129 Forest St., will offer an "Awareness and Self-Defense Course for Women."

It will provide females with some basics in awareness and defense, and teach simple and effective movements which enable you to

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Today

THINGS TO DO

Folk Dancing

Rutland, Godnick Center, Deer Street, 9 a.m., 438-2920.

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Duplicate Bridge

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RUTLAND RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT

ROTARY PRE-SCHOOL PROGRAM FOR 3 & 4 YEAR OLDS

WITH JANE BROWN AND JOAN MCINTOSH

AT THE ROTARY FIELD HOUSE

This afternoon program will begin January 29th with two sessions running through the school calendar year. Take care of your child's cabin fever and enrich his/her life while you give yourself a break. For program and fee information stop by the Recreation and Parks Department.

For more information give us a call at 773-1822

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Redesign Planned For Park

Farmers Markets Ponder Return

By **FREDERICK BEVER**
Herald Staff

The Rutland Partnership has hired an architectural consultant to fashion a new concept for Depot Park, and will invite the area's dueling farmers markets to participate in the process.

Elizabeth Courtney, the former chairwoman of the state Environmental Board who helped the Partnership in earlier planning initiatives, will be paid roughly \$3,500 to create a new design for the two-acre parcel. Most of that money will come from a grant by the Rutland Rotary Club.

"It's perhaps the most dysfunctional space in the city," said Richard J. Courcelle, the Partnership's manager. "We have decided to go the extra mile and really design a park that will be usable."

The reconstruction of the park
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Learn to Skate 12/15

The Rutland Recreation and Parks Department will offer a "Learn to Skate Program," designed to work with skaters of all abilities.

A course description is available at the recreation office, located at 37 East Center St., Rutland. You will need to read over the course description to determine what level you or your skater will be in.

You need snug-fitting skates, or hockey skates will work if that's what you have. Please, no double blade skates. Dress for the cold; hats and gloves are a must. Tots are encouraged to wear safety helmets.

Courses offered will be for Adult Beginners (Alpha and below); Adult Beta and Beyond; Gamma, Delta, Freestyle and up; Tots (ages 2-4); Parent and Tot, Pre-Alpha; Alpha and Beta.

Fees vary according to the number of weeks the program is offered (\$21, \$24, \$27 for residents and \$28, \$31 or \$34 for non-residents). Some classes are scheduled to begin Dec. 27. ISIA has numerous tests in the Learn-to-Skate Program.

Not all skaters will be tested. This information is in a handout

sheet at the Recreation Center. If they are tested, the fee is \$3 to cover the cost of the badge and processing fee the ISIA (Ice Skating Institute of America) charges the Recreation Department.

Registration is on-going at the Dana Recreation Center, weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m. Instructors are Sharie Elrick, Paul Martel and Austin Burbank. All lessons will be held at Giorgetti Ice Rink and lesson fees include free skating the day of lessons.

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will be funded from a federal Housing and Urban Development grant that is also earmarked for an extension of Spruce Street behind the downtown shopping plaza.

Courcelle said he hoped the project — which will include the installation of electrical outlets, better lighting, running water and new landscaping — will be completed before summer.

That would leave the space available for a farmers market to take place again downtown.

But exactly who will locate at the site remains to be seen. The use of Depot Park has become a bone of contention between the Rutland County Farmers Market and the recently-formed Vermont Farmers Market.

The county market used the park for a decade prior to last year. But uncertainties related to now-failed plans by Central Vermont Public Service Corp. to take over part of the plaza as its new headquarters led to a decision to locate last summer at Kinney Motors, near the Green Mountain Shopping Plaza.

Vendors reported varying degrees of success at the new location. But the construction of a Staples office products store near the site may render it less desirable, and the market's board must make a decision soon whether to return to the location.

The new market — much smaller and made up of farming families that splintered off the old market — stepped into the breach last summer.

The new market got permission from the city to set up shop in the park last summer, and the two markets vied for area business on Saturday market days.

The new market has also gained permission to use the park again next summer.

Relations between the two markets have been fractious at best, as evinced most recently in a dispute over the county market's Christmas Fair last weekend.

Members of the new market tried to participate in the fair. But those families — the Browns, the Greens and the Clarks — were shut out.

In a newspaper advertisement, those families said that "due to cir-

cumstances beyond our control" they could not participate in the market.

Pamela Green, the Vermont Farmers Market's president, said that although the families were dues-paying members of the county market, they were told they could not join in.

"It just appeared that the board of the Rutland County Farmers Market had taken our organizing a market in Depot Park personally," Green said.

Robert Murphy, the traditional market's president, was reluctant to talk about the issue, saying he didn't want to "stir up a hornets nest."

He added that there were signs that the two markets would be able to work more cooperatively in the future.

Murphy and Green have already met with Courcelle on the Depot Park makeover. Courcelle said that both groups would be invited to the table as new plans are drawn up.

And it appears that there will be room for vendors from both organizations.

Green said that her group would be willing to allow vendors from the traditional market to join in, and would not charge a membership fee.

Murphy said his group would consider a return to Depot Park. "Things have started to smooth out," he said. "Definitely with the reconstruction of the park, it's something to be considered."

Courcelle said he expected that there would be an active market in the park this summer, with 40 or more vendors.

Folk Dancing

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Duplicate Bridge

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Lots of Help For Breakfast

Recently the Rutland Intermediate School's seventh and eighth grade girls' soccer team and O'Raine and Sun painting Co., hosted a breakfast for senior citizens at the Godnick Center. With over 50 seniors showing up, the soccer team did a wonderful job of entertaining their special guests with music and service few had seen the likes of.

This event was a success due to the very generous donations made by these local businesses:

John from G.H. Grimm and Co.; Jeanie from Jones Donuts; Jerry from Baba A Luis Bakery; Minga from The Bus; Bob Knight from the Grand Union; Bob Linher from Price Chopper; Bob Wetherby from Martin's; Wayne from Dunking Donuts; and Lori Manning from the Godnick Center.

It's people and businesses like these that are helping Rutland become a stronger community.

KEVIN SWEENEY
Rutland

Speak Up 12/22 About Recreation

The Rutland City Recreation and Parks Department is moving along very nicely with the department's planning effort. Many community members have generously given of their time and ideas. To those who have shared, we owe you a debt of gratitude and say thank you for helping us help the residents of Rutland. To say the least, it is revealing what people feel is needed and wanted for Rutland. Our great challenge is to sort out what is absolutely needed vs. what is wanted and perhaps will have to wait due to the economics.

The purpose of the planning effort is to identify what it is the residents of Rutland want their Recreation Department providing in the way of programs, services and facilities.

We are still in the fact-finding, listening stage of the process. We have held public forums, met with many different groups throughout the community and still have many meetings to go. Additionally, we are finishing up a survey. The 20-plus community members on the planning committee are working extremely hard to develop a vision and plan that is truly representative of the sum total of the citizens' needs. It is not too late for you to share your thoughts and ideas. The committee seeks to listen to anyone who wants to share. Feel free to stop by the Recreation Department and convey your thoughts to the superintendent. We need help sorting out what is needed and wanted. We are here to listen to you. Please don't wait until after the process is completed to speak out. The time is now to communicate. Public input is critical and essential to a successful outcome.

It must be understood that no recommendations or conceptual ideas will be forthcoming until we have completed the necessary steps to insure community input has been thoroughly covered. This is your planning effort. A few minutes of your time could make all the difference in the world. To that end, please get involved.

LEIF ERIK DAHLIN
(Rutland Recreation
and Parks Department)
Rutland

City Trades Parcel for Pledge

By **FREDERICK BEVER**
Herald Staff

The Board of Aldermen agreed Monday night to sell a small parcel to Great Outdoors Trading Co. owner Chuck Wagenheim in return for a \$25,000 pledge toward creating a recreation park on city-owned land behind his store on Woodstock Avenue.

Some aldermen balked at the deal, saying that in return for the 100-by-200-foot parcel of wetland next to his property, Wagenheim should be held to an earlier agreement to secure a widened right-of-way to the 18-acre city property, formerly the city's poor farm.

Aldermen Robert A. Stafford and Barry L. Beauchamp argued that without expanding a 30-foot right-of-way that fronts on Woodstock Avenue next to McDonald's restaurant, the board would effectively be land-locking the property.

"The city's going to be locked out; it's a simple as

that," Beauchamp said.

He argued that another right-of-way, on Green Knolls Lane, would be impractical because it lies too close to neighboring houses. "It's a foolish thing," he said.

But aldermen said the proposal was a good deal. Alderman William F. Gillam said an appraiser had valued the parcel to go to Wagenheim at \$10,000. Yet Wagenheim had agreed to pay \$25,000 toward developing the recreation park, which could include in-line skating facilities, hiking trails, and picnic areas.

Alderman Sharon A. Davis agreed with Gillam. "I don't think Chuck's got us on the hook," she said. "We're getting our bang for the buck."

The board voted 7-3 in favor of the deal.

Beauchamp, Stafford and Alderman Frank Zetelski were the dissenters.

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Aldermen Teen

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The board also agreed to use up to \$23,000 from the White's pool fund to finance a new lighting system at the softball field in Monsignor Connor Park. The pool fund would loan the money to the Recreation Department.

Recreation Superintendent Leif Dahlin said the loan would be paid back, with interest, from players' fees. The lights could be installed in time for the summer season, he added.

Also at the meeting, Alderman David W. Sagi was unanimously re-elected board president.

"Without sounding too mushy or gooeey, it really is an honor to return to this seat," Sagi said.

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as a whole to back the youth center concept as a means of helping at-risk youth steer clear off anti-social behavior.

He said that he was "absolutely committed" to creating a center "without asking the taxpayers to pay the full bill."

He added that the grant presented an opportunity to get the program going on an experimental basis without any taxpayer commitment.

Without directly saying so, Wennberg implied that the activities of Los Solidos, a southern New England street gang, in the city last summer demonstrated the need for pro-active measures.

He noted that city officials had

responded by hiring a new police officer to work on the gang problem. "But we have another responsibility," he said. "That is to provide the positive alternatives for the young people to do the right thing."

One resident agreed. "The price we are going to pay is a whole heck of a lot higher than the property tax," she said, if action is not taken.

At a later meeting of the Board of Aldermen, Wennberg distributed a 10-page memo documenting the administration's efforts to involve the board in the teen center process. He had been criticized for leaving aldermen out of the loop, but the new memo did not appear to assuage ruffled feathers.

Community News

Storyteller Offers Two Performances

As part of a year-long community residency, renowned Vermont storyteller Mac Parker will be presented in several locations in the Rutland region. There are two that will be free and open to the public. For further information call Crossroads Arts Council at 775-5413.

The schedule is: Tuesday, April 9, 10:30 a.m., Godnick Senior Center, and at 3:30 p.m. at Rutland Free Library as a special after-school program for children.

The event is funded in part by the Vermont Council on the Arts and Rutland Area Cultural Alliance.

Alcohol Use, Misuse Program for Seniors

The spring HealthWise Education Program at Rutland Regional Medical Center in Rutland, is offering a session on "Alcohol Use/Misuse in Seniors" Wednesday, April 17, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Godnick Senior Center.

Using a popular "Senior Speak Out" film from a recent forum in San Diego, Calif., a group of community professionals will guide the discussion for seniors about alcohol use and misuse.

For more information, to register or if you need special accommodations, call the Education Department at RRMC at 747-3775.

Tuesday Morning, March 19, 1996

Dana Site Is Dropped as Teen Center

By **FREDERICK BEVER**
Herald Staff

Strike Dana Recreation Center from the list of possible sites for a youth center.

Thirty residents turned out for a meeting at Dana on Monday afternoon, where they told city and school officials in no uncertain terms that theirs was not the neighborhood where teens should be encouraged to hang out.

"I have already dealt with the teens, and they are not reasonable,

they don't respect my property," said Allison Booth, who lives close by the recreation center. "I am totally against it."

Like others who spoke, Booth said she favored starting a teen center somewhere in the city. But they questioned whether, from a pragmatic point of view, any predominantly residential area would tolerate loud music or the potential for vandalism.

Marty Keeler, a long-time resident, added that creating a drop-in center at Dana would radically in-

crease traffic in the neighborhood, which already suffers from poor traffic flow.

One high school student, Lisa Marshall, made a plea on behalf of her peers. "It would be a good idea to have it at Dana, so we are working with the community," Marshall said. "A lot of kids want to help."

She argued that when teenagers are given a sense of ownership in a facility like Dana, the cases of vandalism or disrespect to neighbors could actually decrease.

Keeler politely disagreed, saying

that Marshall lacked experience in such matters. "We've been her age, but she's never been ours," he said.

Mayor Jeffrey N. Wennberg and David Wolk, assistant school superintendent, quickly sensed the prevailing political wind, and Dana went into the discard pile.

"I don't think we even need to have a show of hands," Wennberg said.

And Wolk said that a grant application he is preparing to finance two workers to oversee youth-oriented programs would no longer

name Dana as the site.

"I think we've heard it loud and clear — we'll find another place," Wolk said.

The audience suggested several alternative possibilities, including the Southeast School — currently used by the Vermont Achievement Center — the Rotary Field, and Giorgetti Park.

Wolk and Wennberg promised to pursue all possible options.

Wennberg called on the Dana area residents and the community

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Easter Bake Sale

On Saturday, April 6, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Ames Department Store in Granville, N.Y., the Mission Event of the Wells United Methodist Church, will sponsor a sale of all kinds of goodies. There will be salads, cookies, cupcakes, cakes, pies, breads, baked beans and more. This event is sponsored to support local, national and worldwide outreach.

Senior Council

The Rutland Council of Senior Citizens will meet Tuesday, April 23, at the Godnick Adult Center, preceded by a catered supper at 5 p.m. A social will follow.

Humane Society

The Rutland County Humane Society will hold its annual Walk-for-the-Animals Sunday, April 28. We will gather at the Depot Park in downtown Rutland. Registration will take place at 1:30. The blessing of the animals and walkers will be at 1:55. The walk will begin at 2 p.m. Two routes cover 3 miles or half a mile. Sponsor sheets are

available by calling the shelter at 483-6700. Dogs are welcome, but must be on a leash.

Senior Citizen Issues

Rutland, Rep. Bernie Sanders holds forum on senior citizen issues, proposed cuts to Social Security, Medicaid and Medicare, Godnick Adult Center, 1-2:30 p.m., 1-800-339-9834.

Not Everyone Wants Dana As Teen Site

By FREDERICK BEVER
Herald Staff

City officials and social workers say the time has come to create a teen center. But some who met Friday to consider the matter worried the city is moving too fast toward choosing Dana Recreation Center as the best site.

David Wolk, assistant superintendent of schools, presented a 17-page proposal to a gathering of about 25 people in the Longfellow School Friday.

The proposal will be considered by a state grant committee later this month. The document details a teen center program, located at the Dana Recreation Center, that would require a \$77,000 budget. The program would be overseen by a board made up of adults and students.

The program would feature a drop-in center for youths in the former Dana School. Programs there and at other locations would be administered by a coordinator, assisted by a new director of the Rutland Area Mentoring Program.

"This is a grant we've been working for, for a long time. Rutland is very well poised," Wolk said. "It seems like we're a community that should be the first one funded in the state."

But Police Chief Robert Holmes quickly raised a concern that was on the minds of others as well: Students most at risk are the ones least likely to make use of a program that is closely tied to the city or school administrations.

And those students would also be unlikely to hang

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Staff Photo by Jo-Anne MacKenzie

Spring Steed

Tyler Fontaine, 3, of Rutland took a wild ride on a springy steed at the playground on River and Meadow streets Thursday.

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out in a school building, he said.

"Most of us were really concerned about targeting a group of kids who are really slipping through the cracks, who already are not involved with the schools or with recreation," Holmes said. "Dana School — it's the wrong part of town; you put the label on it of Rutland Schools or Rutland City, and you can kiss them goodbye."

But Mayor Jeffrey N. Wennberg disagreed, saying the Recreation Department has been successful recently attracting students from all socio-economic backgrounds to some of its events.

One student, Lisa Marshall, said she believed that if students are given a sense of ownership — by being encouraged to paint the rooms themselves, for instance — then they would participate.

"I think you would need to focus on transportation to the building," Marshall said. "I see it as more of a place where planning for other activities goes on."

Others asked whether residents would accept teenagers' presence in the Dana Recreation Center neighborhood, located on the east side of the city.

Wennberg and Recreation Superintendent Leif Dahlin have set a community meeting for residents Monday, March 18, at 5:30 p.m. in the center.

But the draft grant application assumed that the Dana School will be the site.

"This (application) seems to dictate that Dana is almost cast in stone, and we're putting the cart before the horse," said Alderman Christopher C. Louras, who sits on the Recreation Committee.

Dahlin stressed that the Dana site was "not a done deal." And Wolk said other sites could be considered if the community and aldermen reject that site.

Wennberg launched into a long defense of the way the process has been handled. Because the grant application is due at the end of this

month, planners have indeed been "putting carts before horses" and horses before carts and everything else."

He added, "there may be some bringing up to speed needed, but everyone who's been paying attention knows there is a need. ... This is an opportunity to quickly provide some results."

J. Clarke Postemski, who for the past year has led a group of local citizens in efforts to create a teen center, said he was worried about choosing Dana for the program headquarters.

He warned that the kinds of activities that would attract teenagers — such as regular music and dancing — may well be unsettling to neighborhood residents.

"I am not convinced that the neighbors within that area are going to accept what the kids are going to need in order to get that sense of ownership," Postemski said. "The music is loud — they hoot and they holler."

Rec Programs

Registration is on-going for the following Rutland Recreation Department spring programs:

Junior field hockey, Mitey Mite baseball, Midget League baseball, Under 8, Under 10, Under 12 and Under 14 soccer, Women's in-line skating, Totnastics, Gymnastics, IV Suns Gymnastics, Kid Gladiators, Tramp 'O Teens, Introduction to Karate, Baby-Sitting, Tot Fun Hour, Pre-season swim team practice, Arts & Computer Camp and a Creative Album course for adults.

For specifics, drop by the recreation office at 39 East Center Street for a brochure.

Pre-School Arrangements

The Rutland Recreation & Parks Department will be holding fall pre-school registration Thursday, April 18, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Rotary Field House. A \$50 deposit is required at this time. Children need to be age 3 or 4 respectively by Sept. 1, 1996. For more information, contact the recreation office at 773-1822.

City and School Eye Consolidated Effort for Teen Center

By FREDERICK BEVER
Herald Staff

City and school officials are moving ahead with a plan to provide coordinated services to local teenagers, possibly through a teen center located at the Dana Recreation Center.

David Wolk, assistant school superintendent, is completing a grant application that could provide up to \$78,000 a year for three years to fund the program.

Funded by the federal government and administered by the state, the grant program targets services for youths who are at risk

"Our purpose is to better coordinate prevention programs in the city — not just in the schools but outside as well."

David Wolk

Assistant superintendent

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of using drugs or alcohol.

"There's a real need for a teen center or youth center," Wolk said. "It's more than just a school issue — it's a community issue."

The teen center concept gained momentum last year when mem-

bers of a southern New England street gang, Los Solidos, started showing up in Rutland.

Mayor Jeffrey N. Wennberg convened representatives of various social service agencies — now known as "The Safety Net" — and consen-

sus quickly emerged on the need for a teen center.

J. Clarke Postemski, a teacher at Stafford Technical Center, pushed for the creation of an independent youth center that would have few formal ties to either the schools or the city.

But it now appears the center's structure will be driven by funding, and a grant to the school, but administered by the city Recreation Department, will be the outcome.

Wolk said with the grant, the city would be able to hire a center supervisor and a full-time staff person for the Rutland Area Mentoring Pro-

gram.

"Our purpose is to better coordinate prevention programs in the city — not just in the schools outside as well," Wolk said.

Under the proposal, extracurricular and recreational programs in the schools would be expanded and a central clearing house created for job counselling, recreation and support services, and opportunities for community service.

In addition, Wolk said, Rutland may be revamped. "That program has been sort of floundering, and integrating it with the youth center."

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would be a good way to reinvigorate it."

The schools would also be able to develop more intramural sports programs, cultural activities and more summer-time fare, Wolk said.

"The largest piece of the grant would be to establish this youth service center," he said. "The second would be to provide some training for teachers and others."

Wolk said the program could be under way as early as May. But that has some aldermen worried.

Alderwoman Sharon A. Davis said that although she agrees a teen center is needed, she does not want the city to move too quickly before fully analyzing any particular proposal.

She was most concerned that once grant money runs out, city taxpayers might be asked to foot the bill. She and other aldermen also said they were concerned about liability issues.

But Wennberg is supporting the latest initiative. And in an effort to garner wider support and input, Wolk has set a meeting on the grant proposal for 2 p.m. Friday at Longfellow School.

3-16 PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS YOUTH ISSUES AND CENTER

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO THE DANA RECREATION CENTER ON MONDAY, MARCH 18, 1996 @ 5:30 P.M. THE PURPOSE OF THE MEETING IS TO DISCUSS AND SHARE THOUGHTS ABOUT A JOINT EFFORT THAT A NUMBER OF AGENCIES ARE CONSIDERING THAT WILL PROVIDE SATELLITE PROGRAMS AS WELL AS A CENTRAL FACILITY TO HOUSE ADMINISTRATIVE AND PROGRAM FACILITIES FOR AREA YOUTH AT THE DANA RECREATION CENTER. THIS MEETING WILL BE JOINTLY HOSTED BY THE RUTLAND CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT. ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT, DAVID WOLK AND LEIF DAHLIN OF THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT WILL BE PRESENT TO SHARE AND ANSWER QUESTIONS. FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT AT 773-1822
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Board Miffed At Wennberg

Lack of Communication Over Teen Center Cited

By FREDERICK BEVER
Herald Staff

The city's new legislative year kicks off Monday night with the installation of a new Board of Aldermen. But already, many board members are unhappy with City Hall, mainly over the way Mayor Jeffrey N. Wennberg has handled the issue of starting a teen center.

Several members, including Alderman David W. Sagi, who is likely to be re-elected board president, are complaining about being left out of the loop by Wennberg.

But Sagi also blamed himself for failing to make sure lines of communication stay open.

"I think we're playing catch-up again," Sagi said. "It's up to us — as well as Jeff — to make sure we know what the hell is going on in the city."

The issue flared last week at a meeting of the Recreation Committee, when a proposal to site a teen center at the Dana Recreation Center was considered.

Board members learned that Wennberg and Recreation Superintendent Leif Dahlin had scheduled a neighborhood meeting at Dana for Monday.

Aldermen were upset that the meeting had been called before the board had a chance to fully consider the matter. They were also angry because the meeting was scheduled for the same night as their new board's first meeting.

"This just puts us in the dark again," said Alderman Paul G. Clifford, chairman of the Recreation Committee. (See Page 20: Aldermen)

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tee. "It's part of a bigger picture."

Alderwoman Sharon A. Davis agreed, especially upon hearing that David Wolk, assistant superintendent of Rutland schools, was pressing ahead with a grant application for a youth center to be administered by the Recreation Department.

"I don't like all these things," she said. "I walk into meetings, and all this stuff has been done and no one has informed the legislative body of the city." She said later that by bypassing the board, the administration could create momentum for a project that has not been thoroughly considered; if aldermen later try to slow its progress, they look like spoil sports.

Sagi agreed, saying the board was not being given enough time to fully consider its responsibilities in choosing a site, hiring personnel and gauging the public will.

He speculated that the administration might be deliberately rushing the project.

"You get a program, you get money, public sentiment — who the

hell is going to argue against all that?" Sagi said. "I'm not saying that's the case, but it's a hell of a strategy."

At the committee meeting, Alderman Christopher C. Louras complained that the teen center concept — originally planned as an independent agency — was now being promoted as a joint project between the city and schools.

Dahlin tried to take blame for the situation. He said he had scheduled the neighborhood meeting for 5:30 p.m. Monday without considering whether that would be difficult for board members who also had their own 7:30 p.m. meeting to attend. And he promised he would take no concrete steps without prior board approval.

But the board members scoffed, saying Wennberg should have caught the oversight, and made sure they were informed of the latest developments on the teen center.

Wennberg later said he had thought the committee was being included in the discussions.

"It was my understanding that the committee wanted (the neighborhood meeting)," he said. "I certainly apologize — our desire is to do this thing right and to do it this year."

Wennberg said he hoped the irritated aldermen would be calmed in time to push ahead with the teen center.

"Apparently we're not going to be able to do it to everybody's satisfaction because we've stepped on too many toes — but we'll go back and try to fix them," Wennberg said. "This is something we desperately need."

Most of the board members do agree a teen center is needed. But Sagi said the issue has also highlighted the need to strengthen ties between the two branches of government.

"I may need to be meeting more often with Jeff, and certainly after this I plan to do so," Sagi said. "I will encourage other board members to stop in and say 'Jeff, what do we got cooking?'"

Recreation Survey Results Due Soon

Recreation Superintendent Leif Dahlin is anxiously awaiting the results of a survey of the city's recreation needs.

Mailed out last week to a random sampling of 500 registered voters, the 20-question survey asks respondents to rate the city's facilities, programs and expenditures, and to provide basic demographic information such as age and income.

Perhaps the most closely watched response will be residents' feelings about the possibility of creating a new recreation center in the city, either by renovating the Dana School or by building a new facility.

"That's really the big question," Dahlin said. "I'm hearing that it's going to come back overwhelmingly for a new recreation center, I'm hearing that's not the case and we simply can't afford it."

By Thursday he had received 183 surveys back. He said he needed at least 280 responses for the survey to be statistically accurate.

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CITY OF RUTLAND INVITATION TO BID 72" RECYCLER CUTTING DECK

Sealed bids are requested for the procurement of the item listed above. Bids will be accepted at the Office of the City Clerk until 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 21, 1996. Bid documents may be obtained from:

Purchasing Department
City Hall, 1 Strongs Avenue
Post Office Box 969
Rutland, Vermont 05702

CITY OF RUTLAND INVITATION TO BID FOUR SETS OF 4" WIDE STEEL DOUBLE DOORS

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CITY OF RUTLAND INVITATION TO BID SOFTBALL FIELD LIGHT STRUCTURE SYSTEM SOFTBALL FIELD LIGHT STRUCTURE ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION

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RUTLAND RECREATION & PARKS DEPARTMENT FALL PRE-SCHOOL REGISTRATION

The Rutland Recreation & Parks Department will be holding FALL PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION on THURSDAY APRIL 18, from 6-8 PM at Rotary Field House. A \$50 deposit is required.

This program consists of "fun activities" including art projects, songs, games, poems, outdoor play, field trips, etc. Children need to be 3 or 4 respectively by Sept. 1, 1996. Three year olds meet Tuesday & Thursday mornings, and Four year olds meet on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. Time is 8:30 - 11:30 AM.

Rutland Resident fees: 3 year olds \$333.00 and 4 year olds \$499.50

Non-Resident fees: 3 year olds \$363.00 and 4 year olds \$525.50

For more information call the Recreation office at 773-1822.

INSTRUCTORS: Jane Brown, Certified Teacher

Joan McIntosh, Registered Nurse

Bus Trip Set to See 'Song of Singapore'

The Rutland Recreation and Parks Department's Godnick Center is sponsoring a bus trip to see "Song of Singapore" starring Loretta Swit at Proctor's Theatre in Schenectady, N.Y., on May 8.

Registration begins at 9 a.m. on Monday, March 25 for city residents and Tuesday, March 26 for nonresidents.

The fee of \$44 a person (nonresidents add \$6) is payable at time of

registration. The price includes transportation and ticket for Song of Singapore at Proctor's.

The Vermont Transit bus will leave the Godnick Center at 4:30 p.m. and return at about 12:30 a.m. For more information call the center at 773-1853.

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planning process meant to identify the public's recreational wishes. Recreation superintendent Leif Dahlin is currently drawing together the results of a written survey sent to 500 residents.

Committee members were receptive to Lawes' ideas, although they cautioned that it is too early to talk about specific initiatives the city

might be interested in.

Alderwoman Sharon A. Davis suggested RAHA contact the Chamber of Commerce for help in identifying markets, promoting events and coordinating lodging for visitors drawn here by the facility.

"I think it's great. Whatever recreational use we can bring to the community is what we should be

looking at," Davis said.

Dahlin said the city was at least a year away from any final decisions about its own recreational needs.

Lawes said it may be two years before the RAHA facility would be under construction. The two groups promised to keep each other informed of progress and opportunities for collaboration.

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Rink Project Could Use Mall Land Free

By FREDERICK BEVER
Herald Staff

A local hockey association may be able to use 15 acres, free of charge, at the Rutland Mall for two new ice rinks. And the group is hoping the city will consider using — or expanding — the planned facility.

Two representatives of the Rutland Amateur Hockey Association met with the aldermanic Recreation Committee Wednesday night to outline plans for the rinks.

RAHA board member Dean Lawes said the group was close to a deal

with Juster Associates, owners of the Route 4 mall, that would allow construction of the \$3.5 to \$4.5 million arena near the Montgomery Ward building.

The site includes land where Juster has already won Act 250 approval for an expansion of the mall. Lawes said while a new Act 250 permit would probably be necessary, Juster was interested in the deal as a means of attracting the public back to the mall. The mall has lost tenants and customers since the new Diamond Run Mall

on Route 7 opened last summer.

"It gives it a new theme," Lawes said. He added that the site was especially suitable because of its proximity to Rutland High School and to potential users at the Pico and Killington ski areas.

At the same time, Lawes said RAHA wanted to know if the city would be interested in making use of the facility — or even adding onto it — as part of a broad regional effort to create more recreational opportunities.

"We'd like to interest you in

something that won't cost the city extra money — a place where everyone does their own thing, but in the same area. ... We could fill part of your niche."

He noted that, as planned, the RAHA facility would include two ice rinks: a 100-foot by 200-foot rink, to be used from October through April, and a 190-foot by 85-foot sheet that would operate year-round.

The facility would also include 3,000 seats and the ability to host events such as concerts by placing a cover over the ice. Lawes said 950

parking spaces would be required.

The arena would be financed by a combination of fund-raising, grants and fees, Lawes said. Depending on how financing is structured, he added, the facility might be phased in over several years.

Asked about rumors that there were one or two potential deep-pocketed donors, Lawes said, "We can't confirm that. Of course, we're always hopeful."

The city is in the early stages of a needs assessment and strategic

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Fire Pay Change Is OK'd

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Increase Is 9 Percent Across Four Years

By FREDERICK BEVER
Herald Staff

The Board of Aldermen on Tuesday approved a change in the way non-union firefighters are paid by the city, in effect handing them a raise of close to 9 percent over the next four years.

That raise will come in addition to any cost-of-living increases non-union workers in general receive.

The deal, which places seven ranking fire officers in the same system that governs the pay of other non-union city workers, will cost the city at least an extra \$30,000 to finance between now and the 1998-1999 fiscal year.

"It's a fairness question as much as anything," said Alderman Frank Zetelski. The issue had been in the General Committee, which Zetelski chairs. "I do it knowing full well we're talking about dollars."

Mayor Jeffrey N. Wennberg said that the result may be a reduction in the number of fire department personnel.

"My problem is where the money is going to come from," he said. "It may be necessary to reduce the overall size of the fire department in order to finance this."

He stressed that any reductions would come only through attrition, rather than layoffs. His effort to hire part-time firefighters when regular workers retire may also be halted, he said.

Until now, raises in the fire officers pay have been set on a yearly basis separately from raises received by other city workers.

Some years the fire officers raises were pegged to the raise union workers got, some years to the raises non-union workers got.

Saying they wanted consistency and predictability in their pay, the fire officers brought the issue back to the board earlier this year. They asked to be placed in the "step-scale" system, which sets the pay for new employees at a certain level, and then allows yearly "step" increases within that grade for the next two years.

The fire officers were placed at
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grades within the scale roughly comparable to the grades that their counterparts in the police department are placed at. Lieutenants, for instance, were put in at "Grade 11," which starts at a \$588.27 per week, and moves up to \$694.98 per week in the third year.

Next fiscal year, the officers as a group will receive a pay raise of 4 percent, or a \$13,000 total. The actual size of the raise will vary from person to person, depending on the difference between their current pay and the grade level they are placed at.

The board also approved adjustments in longevity pay to bring that benefit to the fire officers in line with longevity pay received by other non-union city workers.

Lt. Michael Walsh, as an example, will see his current pay of \$657.21 per week rise to \$659.16 per week next year, including longevity pay, under the plan. Lt. Ray Mooney's pay will rise from \$668.73 per week to \$715.83 per week.

In the following year, fiscal 1998, there will be virtually no increase, because the officers agreed to stay at the same step they will begin with. But in the third year, the officers will take another step within their grades, and their pay as a group will jump by another 4.8 percent.

After that, the officers will have reached the maximum levels within their grades. Any further increases within the step system would only come with board approval for an individual to jump to a new grade.

As Wennberg pointed out, however, the fire officers will probably enjoy a second level of pay-raise. Each year, he said, pay is usually increased throughout the step system to reflect the rise in the cost of living.

That across-the-board raise gen-

erally falls within the 3 to 5 percent range. So if in the first year of the new plan, a cost-of-living-adjustment of 3 percent is granted to non-union city workers, the fire officers will receive that in addition to the 4 percent granted by the aldermen. The total increase from their current pay level would amount to 7 percent.

But if there is a cut in overall pay for non-union workers, the fire officers will suffer the same fate. "We'd just be reduced like everyone else; we understand this," Walsh said.

At the board meeting, Alderwoman Wendy L. Wilton suggested that the fire officers should forego the general cost-of-living increases for the next two years, but be moved more quickly to the maximum level within their grades.

But the fire officers balked, saying that would set up the same disparity between themselves and other city workers that they wanted to avoid in the first place.

In the end, Wilton was the only member of the board to vote against the measure.

"We're very pleased," said Mooney. "I don't know why it took so long."

Zetelski originally moved that the question be considered in executive session. But after discussion among board members and a protest from the Rutland Herald, Zetelski and a majority of the other board members voted against the executive session.

In other business, the board did not take up the question of a skating rink and recreation center proposed by the Rutland Amateur Hockey Association. The matter — and a will bequest to the Recreation Department — was referred to the Recreation Committee.

Parks Department Hosts Theater Trip

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The Rutland Recreation and Parks Department's Godnick Center is sponsoring a bus trip to see "Song of Singapore" starring Loretta Swit, at Proctor's Theatre in Schenectady, N.Y., May 8.

Registration begins at 9 a.m. on Monday, March 25, for city residents, and Tuesday, March 26, for non-residents. The fee of \$44 per person (non-residents add \$6) is payable at time of registration. The price includes transportation and admission to the show.

The bus will leave the Godnick Center at 5:30 p.m. and return at approximately midnight. For more information please call the center at 773-1853.

Republican Breakfast

The Second Annual Rutland City Republican Committee Pancake Breakfast will be served on Saturday, March 16 from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Rutland Senior Center. Admission is \$3 for children; \$5 for adults; \$15 for family of four or more; \$2.50 for senior (plus any cash amount or can goods you wish to donate for the Senior Center and The Rutland Mission). Pouring coffee and serving breakfast will be political figures of Vermont.

ORGANIZATIONS

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Duplicate Bridge
Rutland, Marble Valley Duplicate Bridge Club plays at Godnick Center, Deer Street, 7:15 p.m., for information call Bill Becker, 773-7386, or Irene Vignoe, 773-8656, new players welcome.

Senior Highlights

Highlights at the Godnick Center for March 4-8:

Monday: 9:30 a.m., Exercise; 10:30 a.m., piano; 12:30 a.m., Canasta; 1:15 p.m., bingo; 7 p.m., square dance.

Tuesday: Town Meeting Day.

Wednesday: 9:30 a.m., exercise; 1 p.m., pinochle.

Thursday: 9:30 a.m., folk dance; 10 a.m., canasta; 1 p.m., poker; 1:15 p.m., bingo; 7 p.m., Marble Valley Bridge Club.

Friday: 9 a.m., cross country skiing at Mountain Meadows; 10 a.m., piano; 11:45 p.m., Lunch Bunch to the Holiday Inn; 1 p.m., cards.

We are still making appointments for AARP tax counselors to do your income taxes at the center. Meals are served Monday to Thursday at 11:45 a.m. Our van is available from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. to pick up and bring home Rutland City residents interested in coming to the Godnick Center. Call 773-1853 for information about a ride.

Basic Boating

Anyone interested in taking the free U.S. Power Squadron's Basic Boating Course, should contact Tom Pressly at 775-2923. This course will satisfy the state of Vermont's Boating Safety Course requirement for individuals born after Jan. 1, 1974, and will cover basic boat handling, navigation, and legal and safety requirements. The course will begin in early March. 3/4

City GOP Sponsors Pancake Breakfast

The Rutland City Republican Committee will sponsor its second annual pancake breakfast Saturday, March 16, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Rutland Senior Center.

Pouring coffee and serving breakfast will be Lt. Gov. Barbara Snelling; Sen. Susan Sweetser, R-Chittenden; Sen. Dennis Delaney, R-Chittenden, also a lieutenant governor candidate; lieutenant governor candidate John Carroll; state Treasurer James Douglas; Attorney General Jeffrey Amestoy; Secretary of State James Milne; Sen. Jim Jeffords, R-Vt.; Mayor Jeffrey Wennberg; Sen. Judy Bloomer, R-Rutland; Sen. Betty Ferraro, R-Rutland; Rep. Tom McCauley, R-Rutland; Rep. Jeff Conner; Joe Acinapura; and Gregory Thayer.

The cost is \$5 for adults, \$3 for children, \$15 for a family of four or more, and \$2.50 for senior citizens. In addition, money or canned goods will be collected for the Senior Center and the Open Door Mission.

For tickets or information, call Thayer at 773-8953 or Tom Palumbo at 773-6935. 3-7

Depot Park Design Gets High Marks 2/14

By FREDERICK BEVER
Herald Staff

A new design for downtown's Depot Park was unveiled Thursday night, winning applause from city officials, downtown boosters and members of the two farmers markets that could use the space in the summer.

Showing drawings and blueprints to 20 people, consultant Elizabeth Courtney said the park was redesigned to maximize its potential for use by market vendors while maintaining its aesthetic integrity at other times.

"I think you have done justice to us in laying it out based on the farmers markets needs," said Robert Murphy, president of the Rutland County Farmers Market.

"It's a really nice, organized setup," agreed Pamela Green, president of the Vermont Farmers Market.

The parcel of just under two acres lies at the north end of the downtown shopping plaza. Under Courtney's plan, the trapezoidal layout would be ringed by granite walkways with drop curbs. The design features three separate green spaces and a small granite plaza roughly in the middle.

"With this permanent location — which is what we were looking for all along — it's looking very good for us."

Robert Murphy
Market President

The largest green space — about 7,000 square feet — would be on the west side of the park. Maple trees planted every 12 feet would delineate prime vendor space where goods could be sold directly from the back of up to 10 trucks parked between the trees.

The green space itself could hold another 36 vendor tents. Courtney included granite tracks down the center of the green space that would allow trucks to deliver tents and goods without damaging the turf.

The smaller green spaces could

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also be used by vendors on the busiest market days, making a potential total of 60 vendor spaces in the facility. There would be water taps, an underground sprinkler system, and electrical outlets at the base of each of 25 maple and honey locust trees planned for the site.

The design also features six park benches, privet hedges, shrubbery and a small garden. And fans of the veterans memorial, a holiday tree, or Patrick Farrow's "The Leash" sculpture need not worry. All three items will remain in the park, although in slightly different spots.

Dale Lincoln, a vendor with the county market, said the design was especially good because it would surround shoppers with vendors on all sides. "You keep a rectangle like that and ... can keep people inside the market atmosphere," Lincoln said. He noted that under the current design, the north end of the park had become a no-man's land.

The project costing roughly

\$100,000 could be completed by the end of May. A federal Housing and Urban Development grant will fund the work.

The question of which markets, exactly, will use the park, still needs to be resolved. Last year, the Vermont Farmers Market took over the site, after the county market opted for a site in Rutland Town near Kinney Motors.

Relations between city officials and the much larger county market — which had operated in downtown Rutland for two decades — have been rocky in recent years. Relations were strained when a now-defunct plan to locate Central Vermont Public Service Corp.'s headquarters in the plaza made the park's future uncertain.

The newer market won a deal to locate in the park next summer. Although no formal talks have begun yet, it appeared on Thursday that both markets were interested in co-operating in using Depot Park.

Community News

Four-Day Bus Trip To Boothbay Harbor

The Godnick Adult Center is sponsoring a four-day trip to Boothbay Harbor, Maine, beginning June 17. Registration is ongoing. A non-refundable deposit of \$20 is due at the time of registration. The balance is due on or before May 14.

The trip includes tours of Maine's Maritime Museum, Boothbay Harbor and the Musical Wonder House, and dinner-theater on the last night.

The cost is: \$485/single, \$335/double and \$290/triple; non-residents add \$6. That includes bus transportation, three nights of lodging at the Fisherman's Wharf, seven meals, baggage handling, guide service in Boothbay Harbor, taxes and most gratuities.

The bus leaves the center at 7:30 a.m. Monday, June 17, and returns at approximately 6 p.m. Thursday, June 20. For more information, please call the Godnick Center at 773-1853. 2/24

Senior Highlights

Highlights for the week of Feb. 26-March 1 at the Godnick Center:

Monday: 9:30 a.m., exercise; 10:30 a.m., piano; 12:30 p.m., canasta; 1 p.m., senior duplicate bridge; 1:15 p.m., bingo; 1:30 p.m., chorus; 7 p.m., square dance.

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Bus Trip Planned To Conn. Casino

The Rutland Recreation Department's Godnick Center is sponsoring a bus trip to Foxwoods Casino in Ledyard, Conn., Monday, April 15.

Registration begins at 9 a.m. Monday, March 11, for city residents and Tuesday, March 12, for non-residents. The fee of \$32 per person (non-residents add \$6) is payable at time of registration.

The price includes transportation, 5½ hours at Foxwoods Casino and a buffet dinner at the Old Country Buffet Restaurant in Enfield, Conn.

The Vermont Transit bus will leave the Godnick Center at 7:30 a.m. and return at about 10 p.m. For more information, call the center at 773-1853. 3

Adult Center Offers Two Bridge Classes

The Godnick Adult Center is offering two eight-week bridge classes to be taught by Irene Vignoe. The Club Series on "Bidding" for either the beginner or the player interested in updating their game will begin Monday, March 11, and the Heart Series on "Defense" will start Thursday, March 14. 3-7

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The bus leaves the center at 7:30 a.m. Monday, June 17, and returns at approximately 6 p.m. Thursday, June 20. For more information, please call the Godnick Center at 773-1853.

Gym Time

There will be open gym time for boys in grades three and four at the Leo Keefe Gym on Saturday mornings from 8 a.m.-9:30 p.m. now through March 30.

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Fees are \$15 for residents and \$22 for non-residents. Registration is on-going at the recreation office weekdays, from 8:30 to noon and from 1 to 5 p.m. at 39 East Center St. Class size is limited.

Senior Highlights

Highlights for the week of Feb. 12-16 at the Godnick Center are:

Tuesday: 9 a.m., Residents register for June bus trip; 9:30 a.m., painting lessons and line dancing; 1 p.m., Country Crafters, bridge and poker; 4:30 p.m., line dancing at Dana Recreation Center; 5 p.m., Senior Council.

Wednesday: 9 a.m., Non-residents register for June bus trip; 9:30 a.m., exercise; 10:30 a.m., slide show with Jean Davies; 1 p.m., pinocle; 1:30 p.m., AARP meeting.

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Art Classes, Workshops at Chaffee Center

The Chaffee Center for the Visual Arts sponsors art classes and workshops at Dana Recreation Center. Call the Chaffee Center for registration and information.

After school classes for children, 3:30-5 p.m.

Painting for Kids (grades 3-6), teaches children painting basics such as color, value and composition. Projects include a still life, favorite animal, landscape, abstract, and straight edge. Six Tuesdays from Feb. 13-March 26. Tuition, \$60; materials, \$12.

Storytelling for Kids (ages 8-10), teaches children how to create stories and tell them in their special style. Six Wednesdays from Feb. 14-March 27. Tuition, \$60.

Drawing for Kids (grades 1-6), teaches such drawing principles and techniques as positive/negative space, line form, value and texture. Six Thursdays from Feb. 15-March 28. Tuition, \$60; materials, \$12.

Sculpted Figures in Motion (Grades 4-8). Students will create a wire figure in motion, then cover the figure in plaster and clothe it with fabric and leather. Two Saturdays, Feb. 2 and 17, 10 a.m.-noon. Tuition and materials, \$35.

Animals! Animals! Animals! Look at All the Animals! (grades 1-4) teaches children about background, foreground and overlapping painting techniques through the painting and construction of a colorful animal poster. Saturday, March 9, 10 a.m.-noon. Tuition and materials, \$17.50.

Ukrainian Egg Decorating (grades 5-12). Students will decorate several eggs in the traditional pysanky patterns and in their own designs. Saturday, March 30, 9 a.m.-noon. Tuition and materials,

\$17.50.

Workshops for Adults and Teens over 15.

Painting Wildlife: Rob Mullen, winner in the Vermont Duck Stamp Competition, teaches students techniques for painting wildlife and backgrounds using water-based acrylic. Subjects will include fur, feathers, grasses, rocks, water, wood and much more. Friday, March 15, from 7-9 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, March 16 and 17, from 8 a.m.-7 p.m. \$150 plus materials.

An Introduction to Adirondack Twig Furniture first takes students into the field to learn how and what to harvest, then teaches them how to construct either a small Adirondack table or hanging wall shelf. Enrollment is limited. Field session, Saturday, March 23, from 10 a.m.-noon; classroom, Saturday, March 30, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Tuition and materials, \$55.

Life Drawing offers the use of professional models for independent drawing/painting/sculpting. Six sessions; every Thursday from Feb. 8-March 14, 7-9 p.m. Tuition, \$40.

Artist Critique Seminar and Artist Network: Call the Chaffee for details.

Basic Acrylic Painting focuses on transparent wash technique and techniques that create textures, give depth, treat light and shadow and lend a sense of space to a painting. Every Wednesday from March 6-April 24, 6-9 p.m. Tuition, \$158 plus materials.

Clay Sculpture: Students will model the human figure using a live model. Individual instruction will include hollowing out the final work before firing and applying a patina to simulate bronze. Every Friday

from March 8-April 5, 9:30 a.m.-noon. Tuition and materials, \$120.

Experimental Watercolor, designed for students comfortable with watercolor basics, will help artists to broaden their experience and develop their personal style under the guidance of instructor Jeannie Podolak. Every Wednesday from March 6-April 10, 9-11 a.m. Tuition, \$80 plus materials.

Dried Flower Arranging: Make a cottage garden centerpiece or wall accent in your container or basket using roses, larkspur, peonies, herbs and an assortment of flowers. Saturday, March 9 from 9:30 a.m.-noon. Tuition and materials, \$38.

Native American Series with Tom Briggs. Discussion group: Oglala Lakota history, culture, rituals and spiritual beliefs. Ten sessions, every Monday from Feb. 12-May 20, 7-9 p.m. Tuition and text, \$157.

In Hide Tanning: Students will learn the Plains Indians method of tanning buckskins and transform a raw deerskin into garment-quality material. Ten sessions, every Tuesday from Feb. 13-April 16, 7-9 p.m. Tuition and materials, \$162.

Bows and Arrows of the Plains Indians will teach students to craft these objects using woods, animal sinew, hide glue, horn, feathers and plant fibers. Twelve sessions, every Wednesday, Feb. 14-May 1; 7-9 p.m. Tuition and materials, \$208.

Design and Beading Techniques of the Plains Indians: Students will learn to construct bags, moccasins and garments. Ten sessions, every Thursday, Feb. 15-April 18. Tuition and materials, \$182.

County Journal

New Skating Rink Now More Feasible

Rutland City Recreation Director Leif Dahlin said Monday night the possibility of a new city ice rink has become more feasible as the result of a bequest for the purpose of developing the Giorgetti Park facility.

"Someone died a number of years ago and left this money in a will. It has taken that long for the estate settlement," Dahlin said.

The Board of Aldermen has a proposal by the Rutland Area Hockey Association to build a skating rink and recreation center on its agenda for its meeting Tuesday.

"The estate will be added to, if we do things right," Dahlin said.

He added that he was not able to divulge specifics, but there might be more news in four to six weeks.

Dahlin called the possibility "pretty exciting."

"It's not what I was hoping for. It won't be an Olympic-size rink but it will be a vast improvement over what we have now," he said.

RAHA President Leonard Clark said his organization was "in the dark" as far as any specific plans.

"A member of the Board of Aldermen on the Recreation Committee wanted to talk to us, so we wrote a letter requesting a meeting."

Puppet Workshop 2/18

Northstar Theatre Arts, together with Rutland Recreation and Parks Department, is sponsoring a week-long workshop in the creation of large parading puppets and smaller stick puppets, Feb. 26-March 1.

This workshop is for children ages 8-12 and will be held Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to noon.

There will be a musical parade and performance using the puppets presented for family Friday, March 1.

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Turn on the Lights 2/13

The Rutland Recreation and Parks Department is looking to install ball field lights at the Meadow South field at Monsignor Connor Park. The project will be fully funded by the city's adult softball league. The plans call for having the lights ready for the coming season.

The project will also allow for greater use of Monsignor park during the fall for sports such as flag football and soccer.

Anyone wanting to learn more about this project can call Leif Dahlin at 773-1822.

Open Gyms 2/13

Adult open gym times sponsored by the Rutland Recreation and Parks Department are as follows:

► Dana Gym. One for the early birds, Tuesday and Thursdays from 6-7 a.m. through March 28.

► Intermediate School. Fridays from 6-9 p.m. through March 29.

► College of St. Joseph. Monday-Friday, noon to 1:30 p.m. through March 29.

The price is \$1 per person.

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Coed Volleyball 2/12

Teams interested in playing in the Coed Volleyball League can pick up roster forms at the Recreation offices on East Center Street in Rutland. The rosters must be filled out and turned in by Feb. 21. The league will run for eight weeks. A Division will play on Wednesdays and B Division on Thursdays.

Walking the Diamond Run

Rutland, Kick-off celebration, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Diamond Run Mall Food Court, 775-0568.

Aldermen to Discuss Skating Rink, 911 2/19

The Board of Aldermen will hold its twice-monthly meeting Tuesday, Feb. 20, at 7:30 p.m. in City Hall.

The board will consider several matters including:

► A proposal by the Rutland Area Hockey Association to create a skating rink and recreation center.

► Discussion with the Rutland City Police Commission on creating 911 enhanced emergency calling in the city.

► A presentation from Recreation Superintendent Leif Dahlin on the possibility of creating a youth center in the city.

There will also be a meeting of the Board of Civil Authority at 7:15 p.m. to consider election matters.

Community N 2/16

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Mellichamp Shows Language of Dance

Jean Marie Mellichamp will present the "Language of Dance" Saturday at 3 p.m. at Dana Recreation Center.

The Language of Dance is designed to communicate the richness of divergent cultures from countries around the world through their dances. Classical and folk dances from India, Thailand, Mexico, Spain and Hawaii are woven together with explanations and stories tracing traditions and customs.

The audience is invited to participate. The program is free and is co-sponsored by the Rutland Recreation Department and the Rutland Free Library. Feb 16

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Sports Scan 2/14

Rutland Softball

The Rutland Recreation & Parks Department asks anyone interested in entering a team in the department's 1996 Summer Adult Softball League (men's or women's) to stop by the office at 39 East Street any weekday between 8:30 a.m.-noon or 1 p.m.-5 p.m. to pick up their informational packet, which includes fees, rules, regulations and roster.

The roster and entry fee are due to be returned to the recreation office on Tuesday, April 2 between 5 p.m.-6:30 p.m.

Line Dancing 1/20

Rutland, Godnick Center, 9:30 a.m.; intermediate dancers, Dana Recreation Center, 4:30 p.m.

Senior Highlights 1/20

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Tuesday: 9:30 a.m., painting class and line dancing; 1 p.m., Country Crafters, bridge and poker; 4:30 p.m., line dancing at Dana Recreation Center.

Wednesday: 9:30 a.m., exercise; 1 p.m., pinochle.

Thursday: 9:30 a.m., folk dancing; 10 a.m., canasta; 10:30 a.m., blood pressure clinic with Pleasant Manor; 1 p.m., poker; 1:15 p.m., bingo; 7 p.m., Marble Valley Bridge Club.

Friday: 9 a.m. cross country skiing at Mountain Meadows; 10 a.m., piano; 1 p.m., bridge and whist.

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Staff Photo by David Jenne

Fashion Statement

This group of women from the Rutland Senior Bowling League set out to make a statement by wearing furs to their weekly league matchup Thursday afternoon. Pat Pratico of Shrewsbury, spokeswoman for the group, said they wore their furs bowling "because we're afraid to wear them in public ... we're protesting the fur protesters."

Adult Hoop

There will be an organizational meeting for teams interested in entering the Rutland Adult Basketball Leagues for the 1995-96 season on Monday, Oct. 23 at 8 p.m. at Jilly's on Madison Street. Team rosters and league fees of \$300 per team will be due that night.

Further information can be obtained by contacting **Jack Johnson** at 802-775-4583.

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Rise & Shine!

The Rutland Recreation & Parks Department is sponsoring a "Rise & Shine" basketball time for adults. The program will run on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6 a.m.-7 a.m. from Jan. 30 through March 28.

The program will be held at the Dana Recreation Center, and there will be a \$1 fee.

Drop-In Gym

The Rutland Recreation Department is having a Drop-In Gym through March 2. The gym at the Dana Recreation Center on East Center Street will be open Monday through Friday from 2-4 p.m. and on Saturdays from 1-5 p.m. The gym will be supervised. There will be no charge.

Tax preparation assistance:

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance and Tax Counseling for the Elderly programs offer free tax preparation to low-income and elderly Rutland area residents. For information on VITA call the BROCC office at 775-0878. For information on TCE call the Godnick Center at 773-1853.

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Maritime Museum, Boothbay Harbor and Musical Wonder House, a two-hour narrated cruise of the harbor to see the seals, lighthouses and summer cottages, shopping and dinner theater.

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chambermaid and the step-on guide).

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Rink Open on Holidays

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The rink features a concession

stand.

Wondering about the presidential elections yet? Intrigued by the people seeking the presidency? Find out what our earliest presidents were all about.

Nationally recognized author and historian Willard Sterne Randall, will speak on the early American presidents Monday, Feb. 12, at 7 p.m., in the Fox Room at the Rutland Free Library.

His talk will focus on the invention of the presidency by Washington, Adams and Jefferson.

This event is supported by Vermont Council on the Humanities under a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Rutland Free Library and the Friends of Rutland Free Library. Randall's presentation is free to the public and handicapped accessible. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call 773-1860.

Randall has written seven books, including three prizewinning biographies.

His first, "A Little Revenge: Benjamin Franklin at War With His Son" earned a gold medal from the Society of Colonial Wars.

In 1990, "Benedict Arnold: Patriot and Traitor" was named a Notable Book of the Year by The New York Times, Best Book of the Year by the American Revolution Roundtable, the Sons of the Revolution and Colonial Dames of American.

He was nominated for a Pulitzer

Prize for this work, as well as for his latest book, "Thomas Jefferson: A Life." This publication was also named one of the 10 best biographies of 1993 by Publisher's Weekly.

After a 17-year stint in journalism, Randall received an advanced degree in history from Princeton. As a journalist he won the National Magazine Award and the Sidney Hillman Prize, and was nominated three times for the Pulitzer Prize.

He worked for the Philadelphia Inquirer, Philadelphia Bulletin, Philadelphia Magazine and Time. As a historian he taught for many years at the University of Vermont. He is currently the Visiting Professor of History at John Cabot University in Rome.

Vacation Camp

The Rutland Recreation Department's February Vacation Camp will take place this year from Feb. 26 to March 1. The camp will present non-stop fun and activities for children in Grades K-6.

The program will run Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The program is open to all area students. Sign-up is being held at the Dana Recreation Center at 39 East Center St.

Resident fees are \$38 and non-residents fees are \$45. There will be early registration for Rutland City residents before Feb. 14. There will also be extended hours available from 8 to 9 a.m. and 3 to 5 p.m. for a small fee.

Skating Can Be An Inexpensive, Lifelong Sport

By ED BARNA
Correspondent

Cabin fever doesn't have to rule in Rutland, where the covered skating rink at Giorgetti Park gives families a chance to kick their frustrations away seven days a week.

Halfway through Saturday afternoon, about 75 people had paid 50 cents (kids) or \$1 (adults) to join the fun, according to rink attendant Jim Lehman. Rutland Intermediate School teacher William Miglis said that was just a warm-up for what would come Sunday, when the school will hold a winter festival that would include sleigh rides, sledding, and snow sculptures.

Well-kept, safe, a place to meet other kids — that's how Rutland mother Amy Pitton described it as "Tribal Dance" played on the loudspeakers. Bonnie Odell said her youngsters — a teen, a second grader, a kindergartener — had been on the ice for more than two hours.

Odell was taking a break. "I'm not going to be able to walk tomorrow," she said.

While skiing and snowboarding may be the glamour sports of Vermont's winter scene, their much older cousin remains a solid favorite, rink attendant Stephen Canney said. "I think a lot more people are starting to come to skating because the cost of skiing is so high," he said, with the peak so far this winter being 250 people one Saturday.

While inexpensive, skating offers a series of challenges that can last a lifetime, Rutland Recreation and Parks Department skating instructor Austin Burbank said. Also, it creates skills that can be enjoyed well into the retirement years.

But despite its simplicity, there's more to the sport than first meets the eye, Burbank said. It's an activity where going backward can be more important than going forward, where the head and shoulders and hands may count for more than the feet, and the key to not

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getting hurt by a fall is to go faster.

Rutland is a member of the Ice Skating Institute of America. Actually an international organization, the ISIA sets testing guidelines for skaters to move from Pre-Alpha to Alpha, Beta, Gamma, and Delta levels, and to add Freestyle and Dance to their collection of badges.

There is a Tots program, for which the featured skills are listed as "proper falling, getting up, marching, beginning forward sculls, beginning stroking, and other balance and coordination techniques." Soon will come both forward and backward sculls and glides, strong stroking and forward crossover skills, and ultimately jumps.

But it all begins with those first moments of tippy-toed trepidation, moments that Burbank says are all too often made harder by poor equipment.

"People often tell me they have weak ankles," Burbanks said. But the problem is more likely to be cheap skates that aren't really an extension of the foot, he said.

When he started skating, at the age of 27, Burbank had off-the-rack skates from a department store that didn't really fit. In a month, he went to another store for good skates that did fit.

A year later, Burbank bought custom-made skates. "It has to be as close to your foot as you can get," he said.

But what about the thick winter socks people wear to keep warm? "You can't go for the warmth," Burbank said, adding that good skates often have several layers of leather that help insulate the feet.

In addition to helping someone learn to skate, good equipment lasts longer, Burbank said. His custom-made skates have been carving ice for 17 years, he said, and "you

wouldn't think I'd ever worn them that much."

Then there is the question of how to grind the skate blade. It's an art, Burbank said, and when people find someone whose sharpening style fits their skating style, they'll go to great lengths to come back.

Burbank goes to a woman in Essex. Fellow instructor Sharie Elrick takes her skates to someone in Montreal. The woman in Essex used to send hers to Pennsylvania. "Everyone has their preference," Burbank said.

As for the process of learning, Burbank said he uses his own example to show that late-comers can still succeed. "I was the world's worst," he tells them.

It isn't necessary to fall down a lot to learn. And when a skater is

moving, the way the body slides along the ice actually makes falls easier on the body than falls when standing still. The latter tend to involve the head or tailbone, Burbank said.

With the tots, the instructors teach them to curl up as they fall, because the worst danger is hitting the back of the head, he said.

Some things that might seem hard aren't really that big a deal, like skating backwards. "I learned how to skate backwards first," Burbank said, "(then a year later I learned how to skate forward."

"I like to get people going backwards because they always have a better time going backward," Burbank said. "You can get a lot more speed going backward." And, except for the axel, jumps are done while moving backwards, he said.

Speed skaters race going forward, but that's in a position where their bodies are leaning over, Burbank said. Figure skating is done with the body in a more upright position, even when the legs are bent.

"Figure skating is all shoulder

and body position," Burbank said. People think the feet are all important, but "if your shoulders are out of line, your feet will have no idea what to do."

It's all a matter of counterbalancing while moving in semi-circles, and of slowly creating "muscle memory" that won't go away during rapid action, Burbank said.

That's one reason why it's better to start with lessons, and preferably individual lessons, he said. As in fine-tuning a golf swing, individual body characteristics matter, and a good instructor will see how to adapt the principles to the person.

The pay-off is an enjoyable skill that doesn't go away with age. Recently, Burbank said, he signed up a gentleman for an ice-dancing class who must be in his 70s or 80s.

"If I enjoy something, I want everyone else to enjoy it," Burbank said. "I try to tell my students, it's something they can learn and keep progressing at, or stop at whatever level they feel is comfortable, and it's something they can do for life."



Tim Shea of Rutland laces up his skates with his son Michael and daughter Emily at Giorgetti Park rink.

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Irish Bash Bus Trip

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Registration will begin Monday, Jan. 29, at 9 a.m. for city residents and Tuesday, Jan. 30, for non-residents. The cost will be \$46 per person (\$52 for non-residents) and is payable at the time of registration. The price includes transportation, the show and lunch at Lantana's.

The bus will leave the Godnick Center at 7:30 a.m. and return at approximately 8:30 p.m. For information, call 773-1853.

The Rutland Recreation and Parks Department will offer a "Learn to Skate Program" designed to work with skaters of all abilities. A course description is available at the recreation office, 39 East Center St., Rutland. You will need to read over the course description to determine what level you or your skater will be in.

You need snug-fitting skates (or hockey skates will work if that's what you have). Please, no double blade skates. Dress for the cold; hats and gloves are a must. Young children are encouraged to wear safety helmets.

Courses offered will be for adult Beginners (Alpha and Below), Adult Beta and Beyond; Gamma, Delta, Freestyle and Up; Tots (ages 2-4); Parent and Tot; Pre-Alpha; Alpha and Beta. Fees vary according to the number of weeks the program is offered (\$21, \$24 or \$27 for residents and \$28, \$31 or \$34 for non-residents).

Some classes are scheduled to begin Dec. 27. Ice Skating Institute of America has numerous tests in the Learn to Skate Program. Not all skaters will be tested.

This information is in a handout sheet at the Recreation Center. If they are tested, the fee is \$3 to cover the cost of the badge and processing fee the ISIA charges the recreation department.

Registration is on-going at the Dana Recreation Center, 39 East Center St., weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m. Instructors are Sharie Elrick, Paul Martel and Austin Burbank. All lessons will be held at Giorgetti Ice Rink and lesson fees includes free skating the day of lessons.

Colorful Stories

Storyteller Joan Wilson will tell colorful stories of animals, enchantment, and folk tales with costumes and ethnic instruments, in the Fox

Room at Rutland Free Library, Saturday, Jan. 20, 2-3 p.m. The Children's Performing Arts Series is co-sponsored by the Rutland Recreation and Parks Department and Rutland Free Library. Performances are free of charge and open to the public. The Fox Room is handicapped accessible. For more information, call 773-1860.

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Community News

Aerobics Class

The Rutland Recreation and Parks Department, under the direction of Linda Mable Fay, is again offering "Aerobics" at Dana Recreation Center, Tuesday and Thursday evenings, 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. from Jan. 2 through March 14, for a series of 22 classes.

The program is an overall fitness workout choreographed to music, emphasizing safety and using target heart rates to achieve fitness goals. Aerobics and body toning will be offered in a comfortable setting.

Bring your own mat, dress comfortably and wear appropriate sneakers. Fees are \$34 for residents and \$41 for non-residents. Registration is on-going at the Dana Recreation Center.

Jewelry-Making Class

The Rutland Recreation and Parks Department is offering a beginner's "Jewelry-Making" class for students ages 7 to 9, Wednesdays, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., from Jan. 3 through Feb. 7, at the Dana Recreation Center.

Fees are \$15 for residents and \$22 for non-residents, with a \$5 lab fee, payable at registration.

Rosemary Anderson will instruct the basics of jewelry-making that the child will be proud to wear and give as gifts.

Registration is on-going at the Dana Recreation Center, 39 East Center St., weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m.

Photo Preservation

The Rutland Recreation Department, under the direction of Lisa Perry, will offer a one-evening class in "Introduction to Photo Preservation" Thursday, Jan. 4, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the Dana Recreation

Center. Fees are \$10 for residents and \$17 for non-residents, with a lab fee of \$8.

Learn to organize your boxes of photos and memorabilia into an unique, attractive and photo-safe family album. Please bring photos to use and a pair of scissors.

Learn quick tips on organizing and preserving your photos and writing your family story into a keep-sake photo album. Lab fee is for materials.

A series of four classes on "Photo Preservation — Creative memories" will be held Thursdays from Jan. 18 to Feb. 8, 7-9 p.m. at the Dana Recreation Center, also under the direction of Lisa Perry, where you will learn "advanced techniques" in page layout designs for documenting your family history.

Fees for this class are \$25 for residents and \$32 for non-residents, with a lab fee for materials of \$35, payable at the time of registration.

Registration is on-going at the Dana Recreation Center, 39 East Center St., weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m.

Western Jewelry

The Rutland Recreation and Parks Department is offering an intermediate "Western Style Jewelry-Making Class" Thursdays from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Dana Recreation Center from Jan. 4 through Feb. 8. The program is open to ages 10-15.

The Western-style items to be designed, among others, will include earrings and barrette. fees are \$15 for residents and \$22 for non-residents, with a \$5 lab fee for supplies payable at registration.

Registration is on-going weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m. at the Dana recreation Center, 39 East Center St.

Play Bridge

Rutland, Marble Valley Duplicate Bridge Club plays at Godnick Center, Deer Street, 7:15 p.m., for information call Bill Becker, 773-7386, or Irene Vignoe, 773-8656, new players welcome.

Senior Highlights

Highlights for Jan. 22-26 at the Godnick Center:

Monday: 9:30 a.m., exercise; 10 a.m., piano; 12:30 p.m., canasta; 1 p.m., chorus; 7 p.m., square dance.

Tuesday: 9:30 a.m., painting class and line dancing; 1 p.m., Country Crafters, bridge and poker; 5 p.m., line dancing at Dana Recreation Center.

Wednesday: 9:30 a.m., exercise; 1 p.m., pinochle.

Thursday: 9:30 a.m., bridge lessons and folk dancing; 10 a.m., canasta; 1 p.m., poker; 1:15 p.m., bingo; 7 p.m., Marble Valley Bridge Club.

Friday: 9 a.m. cross country skiing at Mountain Meadows; 10 a.m., piano; 1 p.m., bridge and whist; 1:30 p.m., chorus.

The van is available from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Call 773-1853.

Figure Skating

The following tests were passed at a recent United States Figure Skating Association test session:

Ann Briggs of Chittenden passed the first two Preliminary Dave tests; **Bethany Mazzariello** of Rutland passed the Preliminary Moves in the Field test, and her final Bronze Dance test; **Ashley Porter** of Rutland passed the Preliminary Moves in the Field test.

Adult Hoop

The Rutland Recreation and Parks Department will sponsor an adult lunchtime basketball program beginning Jan. 22 and running to March 29 at the old College of Saint Joseph gym.

The program will be held every weekday from noon-1:30 p.m. The sign-up will be at the gym, and the program will be supervised. Locker room and shower facilities will be available. The cost will be \$1 per day.

'Stars on Ice' Trip

The Rutland Recreation Department's Godnick Center is sponsoring a bus trip to see "Stars on Ice" at the Knickerbocker Arena in Albany, N.Y., March 29.

Registration begins at 9 a.m. Jan. 8 for residents and Jan. 9 for non-residents.

The fee is \$42 (nonresidents add \$6), payable at time of registration. The price includes transportation and ticket for "Stars On Ice."

The Vermont Transit bus will leave the Godnick Center at 4:30 p.m. and return to the Center at approximately midnight. For more information call 773-1853.

Register for 'Tot Art'

The Rutland Recreation and Parks Department will offer "Tot Art" for parents and children ages 3-6 on Tuesdays, from Jan. 9 to Feb. 13, 1 to 2 p.m. at the Dana Recreation Center.

Julie Lord from the Chaffee Art Gallery will oversee the program which focuses on the making of craft projects related to a weekly changing topic.

Fees are \$17 for residents and \$24 for non-residents. It's fun for parents and children and a great social hour. Registration is ongoing at the Dana Recreation Center.

Cooking for Beginners

The Rutland Recreation Department will offer a beginning cooking

class for ages 10-16 with emphasis on safety in the kitchen, nutrition, and meal and snack planning and preparation.

You will also learn to read and follow simple directions. With a "hands on" approach, you will learn to enjoy the art of cooking.

Debra Tobin will instruct the course. Two sessions will be offered in the Dana Recreation Center kitchen: Session I, Tuesdays from Jan. 9 to Feb. 20 and Session II, Thursdays, Jan. 11 to Feb. 22, from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

Fees are \$20 for residents and \$27 for non-residents, with a \$4 lab fee. Registration is on-going at the Dana Recreation Center, 39 East Center St., Rutland.

Supervised Open Gym

The Dana Recreation Center will have supervised open gym time for students at the Dana Recreation Center, 39 East Center St. (old Dana School), in Rutland.

Week of Jan. 1: Grades 9-12, Tuesday and Thursday, 2 to 4 p.m. Grades 7 and 8, Wednesday and Friday, 2:30 to 4 p.m.

Week of Jan. 8: Grades 9-12, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 2 to 4 p.m. Grades 7 and 8, Tuesday and Thursday, 2:30 to 4 p.m.

Week of Jan. 15: Grades 9-12, Tuesday and Thursday, 2 to 4 p.m. Grades 7 and 8, Wednesday and Friday, 2:30 to 4 p.m.

Week of Jan. 22: Grades 9-12, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 2 to 4 p.m. Grades 7 and 8, Tuesday and Thursdays, 2:30 to 4 p.m.

Week of Jan. 29: Grades 9-12, Tuesday and Friday 2 to 4 p.m. Grades 7 and 8, Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, 2:30 to 4 p.m.



Speeding into Winter

Staff Photo by Vyto Starinskas

Brothers Bob and Sean Hesse fly down the hill at Giorgetti Park in Rutland on Friday taking advantage of the recent snowstorm.

Basic Karate

The Rutland Recreation and Parks Department, in cooperation with the New England Martial Arts

Centre at 129 Forest St., will offer an "Introduction to Karate" course.

Basic Karate stances, punches, blocks, kicks and self-defense moves will be introduced, along with simple "free and flee" methods.

Two sessions, each six weeks in length, will be offered to students ages 6-13 from 4 to 5 p.m. on Wednesdays. Session I is from Jan. 10 to Feb. 14 and Session II from Feb. 28 to April 3.

Registration is on-going at the Dana Recreation Center, 39 East Center St. Fees are \$22 for residents and \$29 for non-residents. All classes are held at Mac Sams, 129 Forest St., Rutland. Instructors are Mark and Becky Stockton.

Senior Council

Rutland Council of Senior Citizens will meet Tuesday, Jan. 9, at 5 p.m. at Godnick Adult Center on Deer Street. There will be entertainment, and a bag lunch.

Senior Highlights

Highlights for Jan. 8-12 at the Godnick Center:

Monday: 9 a.m., registration for city residents for "Stars on Ice" bus trip; 10 a.m., piano; 12:30 p.m., canasta; 7 p.m., square dance.

Tuesday: 9 a.m., registration for non-residents for "Stars on Ice" bus trip; 9:30 a.m., painting class; 1 p.m., Country Crafters, bridge and poker; 5 p.m., Senior Council.

Wednesday: 1 p.m., pinochle; 1:30 p.m., AARP meeting.

Thursday: 9:30 a.m., bridge lessons; 10 a.m., canasta; 1 p.m., poker; 1:15 p.m., bingo; 7 p.m., Marble Valley Bridge Club.

Friday: 9 a.m., cross-country skiing at Mountain Meadows; 10 a.m., piano; 11:45 a.m., lunch bunch leaves for Weathervane; 1 p.m., bridge and whist; 1:30 p.m., chorus.

ORGANIZATIONS

Duplicate Bridge

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Stories for Everyone

Storyteller Joan Wilson will bring her entertaining and imaginative stories to the Rutland Free Library Saturday, Jan. 20.

She will tell stories for children and families at 2 p.m. in the Fox Room as part of the Children's Performing Arts Series, co-sponsored by the Rutland Recreation and Parks Department and the Rutland Free Library.

Wilson will tell tales of enchantment, animal stories and folk tales. She will share Appalachian tales from her childhood growing up in Kentucky and Tennessee.

In addition she will recite spooky (but not too scary) stories for children and families.

Wilson's colorful stories fire the imagination, and include costumes and ethnic instruments. Using drama and lively songs she creates the magic of a storytelling circle and invites children and adults to sing, laugh and walk with her to the far corners of the world.

This performance is free and open to the public of all ages. The Fox Room is handicapped accessible. For information, call 773-1860.

Giorgetti Park Gets \$125,000

Donated Funds Will Be Used To Improve Ice Skating Rink

By ALAN J. KEAYS
Herald Staff

The widow of John Giorgetti has donated \$125,000 to a park and rink named in his honor.

For the past several weeks, city officials have said they were involved in discussions with a potential donor looking to make a substantial contribution to the Giorgetti ice rink, but declined to identify the person.

On Friday, Rutland City Mayor Jeffrey N. Wennberg revealed Mary Giorgetti was that anonymous donor and that the contribution has been made.

"Obviously, we're very pleased with this extraordinary act of generosity," Wennberg said. "It's a rare and powerful act of community building."

The park and rink are named for John Giorgetti for his role in securing the donation of the park land from the state. John Giorgetti also donated some of the financing for the facility.

In addition to his efforts in the creation of the park and rink, Giorgetti played a large role in the development of several residential neighborhoods in the area. He died in 1987.

Mary Giorgetti's donation will be added to the \$59,738 contribution recently made to the city by John Giorgetti's estate, resulting in a total gift from the Giorgettis of \$184,738.

"I am happy to contribute this money," Mary Giorgetti said. "As I have stated many times before, it was John's vision that made Giorgetti Park possible."

She said her late husband's personal goal was to ensure that the park and rink would become a reality.

"I think it's a wonderful facility," she added. "We always wanted to contribute to it and have done so over the years."

Wennberg said the money will be used to make several improvements to the rink. Those improvements will include a new Zamboni (ice-resurfacing machine), ice skating dasher boards, in-line hockey dasher boards and equipment storage rooms.

A Zamboni should help reduce the hours employees

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RUTLAND RECREATION & PARKS DEPARTMENT FALL PRE-SCHOOL REGISTRATION

The Rutland Recreation & Parks Department will be holding **FALL PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION on THURSDAY APRIL 18, from 6-8 PM** at Rotary Field House. A \$50 deposit is required.

This program consists of "fun activities" including art projects, songs, games, poems, outdoor play, field trips, etc. Children need to be 3 or 4 respectively by Sept. 1, 1996. *Three year olds meet Tuesday & Thursday mornings, and Four year olds meet on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings.* Time is 8:30 - 11:30 AM.

Rutland Resident fees: 3 year olds \$333.00 and 4 year olds \$499.50.

Non- Resident fees: 3 year olds \$363.00 and 4 year olds \$525.50

For more information call the Recreation office at 773-1822.

INSTRUCTORS: Jane Brown, Certified Teacher

Joan McIntosh, Registered Nurse



Ethnic Festival Is Named A Top Ever

The Rutland Regional Ethnic Festival, which will take place Saturday, June 22, from noon to 8 p.m. has been chosen as one of Vermont

Top 10 Summer Events by the Vermont Chamber of Commerce.

Named by a panel of independent judges, the winners were selected from more than 65 entries from around the state. The designation by the Chamber recognizes Vermont communities with a tradition and history of involvement in creating special events.

In the past five years, the festival has become a highlight of the summer season in the central part of the state attracting residents and tourists alike.

In addition to recognizing Rutland's diverse ethnic traditions (notably French Canadian, Italian, Irish, Polish, Welsh and Scandinavian), the festival acknowledges an ever-increasing global society and celebrates cultures from around the world.

Ethnic entertainment, food, art and crafts will be featured this year. The festival will take place, rain or shine, under the cover of the downtown parking deck. Ethnic food vendors are already signed up. A full entertainment schedule will be announced soon.

The festival is a collaborative effort of the Rutland Area Cultural Alliance, Rutland Partnership, and Rutland Department of Recreation and Parks. Community involvement and participation in the festival is widespread and enthusiastic.

Although a donation is requested, no admission is charged. For more information about the Rutland Region Ethnic Festival, call 747-3590.

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spend working on the ice, freeing up more time for additional skating programs.

"This will also provide an opportunity to expand its use to ice hockey and in-line skating hockey," Wennberg said. "The improvements will also increase the quality of the ice and the length of time it can be used."

In a written statement, Leif Dah-

lin, the city's superintendent of the recreation and parks department, expressed his thanks to Mary Giorgetti.

"A gift of this magnitude is going to have a profoundly positive impact on the community," Dahlin said. "As a result of this gift a whole new world of possibilities is about to be realized."

Wennberg said donations of this

kind are unusual.

"Frequently we hear from people objecting to paying their taxes," Wennberg said. "This is a nice change."

This is not the only donation Giorgetti has made in her husband's name.

In September 1993 she donated \$180,000 to the College of St. Joseph to build a new library.

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The aldermen are likely to support the project, however; last week, the Recreation Committee passed a resolution of support for the full board's consideration.

And Board President David W. Sagi said that because the city would no longer have direct responsibility for the program, he did not think it essential to be represented on the teen center's board.

If the grant is won, Wolk said, the program could get under way as early as May. The \$100,000 budget would finance the hiring of a ser-

vices coordinator, a full-time administrator for the Rutland Area Mentoring Program, education for teachers involved with at-risk teens, and various support services.

The program would include an after-school drop-in center at the Southeast School, where teenagers would be able to simply hang out, or access services such as job counseling, community service programs, or "healthy living" classes.

Roughly half of the budget would go for salaries. Some \$30,000 would

come in the form of in-kind donations from VAC, including use of its pool and gym.

Mayor Jeffrey N. Wennberg said he hoped the program could begin as soon as possible.

"In June, school will be out and it'll be great to have something up and running," Wennberg said. "We don't want to lose a whole year here."

Wolk said he would seek the city School Board's support for the proposal at Tuesday's board meeting.

Adult Softball

The Rutland Recreation Department will accept additional men's and women's softball teams for its 1996 leagues through the week of April 15. Rosters are available at the recreation office at 39 East Center Street.

Register Now For Children Art Camp

Artists Laura Bloomenstein and Mary Wright, who brought Camp Picasso to Rutland last year, will lead a week-long arts camp called "Any Way You Look At It," from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., April 22-26, at Dana Recreation Center in Rutland.

Children ages 6-12 will explore how four artists in Vermont, Michigan, Colorado and Georgia look at the world very differently to create unique art.

Using drawing, painting, puppetry, fabric art, storytelling and sculpture, campers then will create art that reflects what they see when they look at real and imaginary worlds around them. Campers will learn to use computers as one more tool for expression, drawing and designing artwork, and learning how

to send it around Vermont.

"Any Way You Look At It" is jointly sponsored by The Chaffee Center for the Visual Arts and Rutland Recreation and Parks Department. Tuition and art materials for the week are \$125 per camper. Enrollment is limited to 25.

To register, call the Chaffee Center at 775-0356 by April 12.

Marko the Magician At Dana Rec Center

Marko, the master of magic and illusion, will perform at the Dana Recreation Center Saturday, April 6, at 2 p.m. The performance is free and open to the public.

Marko uses close-up technique in his magic. Many of his illusions are done in spectators' hands.

The performance is part of the Children's Performing Arts series, co-sponsored by Rutland Recreation Department and the Rutland Free Library.

Teen Center Application Is Inaccurate

Chief Acknowledges Report Includes Some Exaggerations

By FREDERICK BEVER
Herald Staff

The Rutland City school system will amend its grant application for a new teen center due to inaccuracies about the local gang situation.

"I probably exaggerated," Police Chief Robert R. Holmes said about information he faxed to the schools last week to be used in an application for a \$98,000 federal grant.

Holmes said that in his presentation to David Wolk, assistant superintendent of city schools, he did some "wild-ass" guessing about the number of local people involved with "Los Solidos," a southern New England street gang that became active in the city last summer.

"That is not to say that I don't believe in the essence of what I say, or in my support for the grant," Holmes said. "We are dealing with young people who are as-

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sociated with a very dangerous gang."

Holmes said he had put his memo together rapidly to help Wolk meet last Friday's deadline.

Wolk confirmed he had not given Holmes much time. Wolk said he would ask Holmes to revise his statement, then will try to amend the application.

"My name's on this, and I want to make sure that it's right," Wolk said.

In the application, Holmes cited a July 30, 1995, fracas when two African Americans were assaulted by a group of local white residents.

Holmes wrote, "Six members of the Los Solidos were involved in a fight with local youths which resulted in the hospitalization of several of the gang members, confiscation of numerous weapons and several arrests."

In fact, no one was actually hospitalized. Only two people associated with the gang were involved in the fracas, according to police affidavits, and they were taken to the hospital, treated and released the same night.

The weapons found at the scene — baseball bats and chains — most likely were brought to the scene by the white assailants, he said.

Holmes also acknowledged Tuesday he may have made overstatements when he called the participants gang members. "Gang associate would have been a better term," Holmes said, although he maintained

that at least one of the victims was a member of the gang.

He added that police information showed at least four other young people associated with the gang who were at the house that night had been involved in the fracas.

"Some were later identified (as gang members) — I probably should have put 'several' — pushing and shoving, screaming and hollering," Holmes said. "I consider that involved."

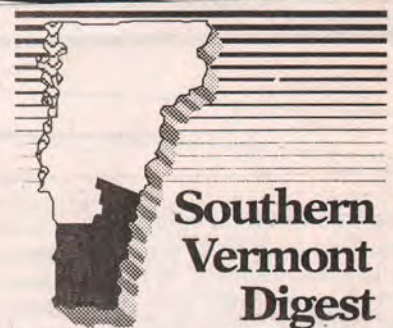
The behavior of youths on both sides of the conflict, he added, attested to the need for more youth services and a teen center.

Charges against two local white youths after the fracas showed that the local response to an influx of minority newcomers can be volatile, he said.

"That's all happened since we started to have an influx of racial people, ethnic people, specifically blacks," Holmes said. "I am worried about a backlash from white kids ... who need something better to do in this city."

Holmes also said in the grant application that police had identified 58 gang members in the area.

Asked how that number was chosen, Holmes said it reflected, roughly, the number of youths who had told police they were members, who had been identified as members by other gang members, or who had been seen with tattoos or other insignia worn by gang mem-



Southern Vermont Digest

Death Threat Denied in Court

Southern Vermont Bureau

BRATTLEBORO — A Bennington man accused of threatening a prosecutor pleaded innocent Tuesday to a felony charge of obstructing justice.

Jeffrey D. Legacy, 34, threatened to kill Sara Kudlacik, a Bennington County deputy state's attorney, during a hearing in Bennington Family Court last week, according to police.

Legacy was arraigned in Windham District Court and re-

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Southeast School Picked for Teen Site

By **FREDERICK BEVER**
Herald Staff

The search for a new teen center site appears to be over: Project backers have settled on the Southeast School building on Allen Street.

David Wolk, assistant school superintendent, said the 13-acre site, with six classrooms and a "multi-purpose" room, will be the drop-in center for a teen services program.

Wolk has applied for a federal grant of up to \$98,000 to fund most of the program's cost for a year.

"It offers a good resolution to the problem of siting," Wolk said.

He noted that although the facility is far from the downtown district, it is on public transit routes, and is not closely bounded by residential properties.

The site was chosen after neighbors of the Dana Recreation Center on East Center Street said they did not want teenagers

hanging out in their streets.

The Vermont Achievement Center currently runs an alternative education program at the Southeast School for students who do not learn well in a traditional educational environment.

Under the new plan, VAC will join with the school system to administrate the teen center and related services throughout the school system. The seven-member board for the new program will include VAC and school officials, a student assigned by the school board, the city's mayor, and the recreation superintendent.

Notably absent from that list is a representative of the Board of Aldermen. Board members had criticized the plan to use Dana, saying the process was moving too fast. Wolk said that because the program will no longer be run from a city department, the aldermen will have no oversight capacity.

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• Staff Photo by Vyto Starinskas

The Southeast School on Allen Street has been chosen as the site for a new teen center by the project's organizers.



Staff Photo by Vyto Starinskas

He Can't Look!

Two-year-old Marc Boisvert keeps his eyes covered (well, mostly) Monday morning as he starts his descent on the slide at the Meadow Street Playground in Rutland.

Bus Trip Is Set For 'Song of Singapore'

The Rutland Recreation and Parks Department's Godnick Center is sponsoring a bus trip to see "Song of Singapore," starring Loretta Swit and the Proctor's Theater in Schenectady, N.Y., May 8. Registration is on-going at the Godnick Adult Center.

The cost of \$44 per person (non-residents add \$6) is payable at the time of registration. The cost includes transportation and ticket for Song of Singapore.

The Vermont Transit bus will leave the Godnick Center at 4:30 p.m. and will return at approximately 12:30 a.m. For more information, please call the center at 773-1853.

Easter Egg Hunt

Rutland, Recreation Center sponsors Easter egg hunt for children, pre-school through grade 1, Godnick Adult Center, Deer Street, Easter Bunny will help, 10 a.m.

Teen Center A Great Idea

I understand that Southeast School may become a teen center. I feel that it would be a good idea to have a teen center at that location.

It would be great for teens to meet other people, it would keep them out of trouble, and the teen center would give the teens some-

thing fun to do.

The teen center would have a lot of activities like baseball, basketball, soccer, badminton and volleyball. It doesn't have to be organized teams, just pick-up games.

In the summer, they could have a cookout and maybe a dance out-

side.

I think it should be free for the teens to hang out, but when a special event comes up they should pay a small amount.

It would be wonderful if Southeast School became a teen center.

JOYA TRAPENI
Rutland

Rutland Rec 4/30

The Rutland Recreation and Parks department is forming teams for spring sports. Players can register at the Dana Recreation Center and volunteer coaches are needed in all areas. If anyone is interested, please contact Ejay Bishop at 773-1822.

Mitey Mite Baseball is a tee-ball, catch-pitch program for ages 6-9. The program begins the week of May 6 at the Southeast School and games is held weekday evenings at 6 p.m. Players must turn six on or before Aug. 31 or must be entering first grade in the fall. Players cannot turn 10 before Sept. 1, 1996. The fee is \$10 for residents and \$17 for non-residents, plus a \$5 hat fee.

Junior and Senior League Baseball play is also forming. The Junior League is for ages 13-14 (players born on or after Sept. 1, 1981 and on or before Aug. 31 1983) while the Senior League is for players 15-17 (players born on or after Sept. 1, 1978 and on or before Aug. 31, 1981). The deadline to register is May 17 and new players will be drafted onto teams. The cost is \$25 for city residents.

The **girls softball** program is for ages 10-13 (must turn 10 on or before Aug. 31 and cannot turn 14 before Sept. 1). The fees are \$14 for residents and \$21 for non-residents and a \$5 shirt fee.

The Under 8 and Under 10 Soccer programs are forming. U-8 athletes cannot turn nine and U-10 athletes cannot turn 11 before Aug. 1 1996. The program under the direction of Mike Kinsler and is held at the Msgr. Connor Park. Grades one and two meet from 9-10:30 a.m. and grades three and four will meet 10:30-noon. Fees are \$20 for residents and \$27 for non-residents with a \$5 shirt fee.

In **U-12 and U-14 Soccer**, U-12 participants cannot turn 13 and U-14 athletes cannot turn 15 before Aug. 1 1996. evaluations for all are at Msgr. Connor Park Saturday, April 20 at 9 a.m. Fees are \$22 for residents and \$29 for non-residents. A refundable \$25 uniform deposit is required.

Rutland Adult Softball
Women's A: Mintzer Bros. vs. Tapa's, JFC
Women's B: Hogge Penny vs. Club Rio, NE
Men's A: Farrell's vs. Parker's Auto/Goodnick's, MS, 7:45 p.m.
Men's B: Mtn. Thread & Shread vs. G.E. Yellow Jackets, MS, 9:15 p.m.
Men's C: Bargain Country vs. Tyler's Team, MF
Men's D: Ranch Sluggers vs. Cripple Creek, MS, 6:30 p.m.

Youth Leagues

Rutland Midget League Baseball
Knights of Columbus 7, Elks 1. Total team effort.
Moose 19, Kiwanis 12. Winning pitcher: Joel Nelson. Hitting Stars: Matthew Schaefer (grand slam) and Corey Czarneski (home run).

Rutland Adult Softball
Women's A: CJ vs. MacLeod's, JFC
Women's B: Green Mtn. Peddlers vs. Jilly's, NE
Men's A: Phil's Discount vs. Dart Mart, MS, 7:45 p.m.
Men's B: Uncle Sam's vs. Mr. C's, MS, 9:15 p.m.
Men's C: Phillips & Sons vs. Club Rio, MF
Men's D: Pizza Delight vs. Albark, MS, 6:30 p.m.

Youth Leagues

Rutland City Midget League Little League
IAFF 10, Eagles 9 — Winning pitcher: Brent Lawrence. Hitting stars: Bill Lezzer, Ezra Lemieux.
Rutland Fuel 13, Edson's Raiders 7 — Winning pitcher: Darby Simonds. Hitting: Team effort.

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Entry forms available at the Rutland Recreation Dept. at Dana School, or send a S.A.S.E. to:

Athletic Endeavors, 14 Haywood Avenue, Rutland, VT 05701
802-773-9168 or athend@aol.com or fordguys@vermontel.com

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Wal-Mart Proposal Hearing Is Sought

Commission Asks City for Information

By FREDERICK BEVER
Herald Staff

The District 1 Environmental Commission on Thursday called for a public hearing on a proposal to site a Wal-Mart in the downtown shopping plaza.

The commission also issued a laundry list of information the city must provide as part of the application to amend the Act 250 permit for the plaza.

The commission will require the city to demonstrate its legal control over 378 parking spaces outside the plaza, or set up an escrow account to cover the expense of buying or leasing parking lots in the future.

The commission also required:

- A copy of a lease between the city and NET Realty Holdings Inc. — owner of most of the plaza — that governs the use of city-owned parking spaces in the plaza.

- A plan to clean up piles of soil that sit behind Price Chopper.

- Plans for the operation of a farmer's market in the plaza this summer, including parking for vendors and customers.

- An estimate of current market rates for leasing parking in the city.

- A clear description of parking time limits and enforcement measures proposed for the plaza and the city parking deck.

- A written description by NET of terms in the Wal-Mart lease which relate to parking meters.

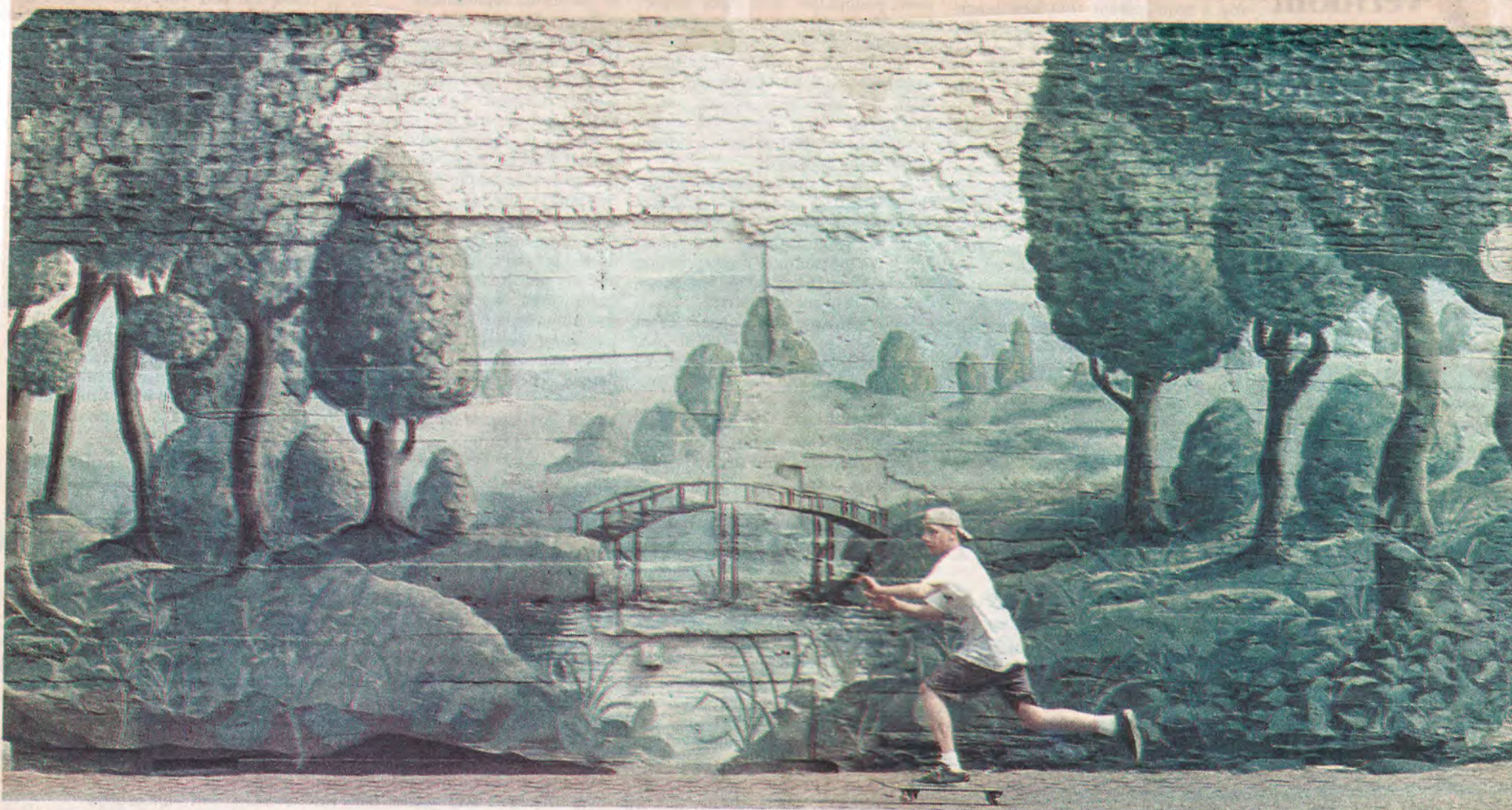
- Plans, if any, for safety and cleanliness in the city parking deck.

- A description of the current status of plans to develop a new parking deck and transit center.

The commission gave the city until May 17 to provide the information. The hearing was scheduled for May 23 at 9 a.m.

ORGANIZATIONS

Duplicate Bridge
Rutland, Marble Valley Duplicate Bridge Club plays at Godnick Center, Deer Street, 7:15 p.m., for information call Bill Becker, 773-7386, or Irene Vignoe, 773-8656, new players welcome.



Right Up His Alley

Glenn Anyer, 13, zooms past a mural in the Center Street Alley in Rutland on Monday. Many local students are on vacation from school this week.

Staff Photo by Vyto Starinska

United Way Nets \$500 From Bed Race

The Rutland Bed Race held April 27 on Merchants Row raised \$500 for United Way. The bed race was organized by classes in Green Mountain College's department of recreation and leisure studies, with help from Rutland Partnership and the Rutland Department of Parks and Recreation.

Price Chopper/Factory Point won the corporate division race with a time of 56.77 seconds. Metro Mail's "Metro Express" won the private non-profit division in 58.25 seconds. Green Mountain College's "Free Delivery" won the college division at one minute 11.52 seconds, and was awarded the prize for "Funniest Finish."

Green Mountain Bank took the prize for "Best Decorated" entry; Metro Express got "Best Representation of Theme;" Price Chopper/Factory Point had the "Best Built Bed;" Spring Lake Ranch received "Team Spirit" honors; and Metro Mail's "Bed Bugs" got the prize for "Best Team Name."

Tomorrow

THINGS TO DO

Farmers Market

Rutland, Downtown Farmers Market opens 1996 season, plaza parking lot, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

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Calendar

Today

THINGS TO DO

Downtown Farmers Market

Rutland, "Kids Garden Day," kids receive free plant, food, flowers, crafts and more, plaza parking lot, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; Middlebury, Food, flowers, vegetables and more, by the falls, Marbleworks Shopping District, 9 a.m.-noon.

Rutland Adult Softball
Wednesday's Late Scores
Men's A: Dart Mart 13, Phil's Discount 3
Men's B: Uncle Sam's 20, Mr. C's 4
Thursday's Results
Women's A: Tapa's 12, Mintzer Bros. 0
Women's B: Club Rio 17, Hogge Penny 1
Men's C: Tyler's Team 6, Bargain Country 1
Men's D: Cripple Creek 24, Ranch Sluggers 2

Friday's Games

Tennis Tournaments 5/31
See Playoff pairings
Lacrosse Tournaments
See Playoff pairings
Rutland Adult Softball
Women's A: BudLight vs. Two Shea's, JFC
Women's B: WJUR vs. Cripple Creek, NE
Men's A: KC's vs. Johnson Energy/Sabby's, MS, 7:45 p.m.
Men's B: Lindholm's vs. The Nailers, MS, 9:15 p.m.
Men's C: CJ's No. 1 vs. Feds, MF
Men's D: VAC vs. American Legion, MS, 6:30 p.m.

Youth Leagues

Rutland Midget League Baseball
Rutland Fuel 11, Suburban Propane 6. Winning pitcher — Jamie Fitzsimmons. Hitting stars — Matt Sarault, Josh Williams, Clay Gilligan.
Rotary South 24, First Vermont Bank 17. Winning pitcher — Jason Fair. Hitting stars — Fair with a grand slam, Aaron Choiniere and John Loso with two hits each.

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Local Seniors Voice Worries to Sanders On Federal Funding

By **FREDERICK BEVER**
Herald Staff

Like Rep. Bernard Sanders, I-Vt., many senior citizens are concerned about the future of Social Security, Medicaid, Medicare and other social welfare programs, and they told him so Monday at a forum held in the Godnick Senior Center.

The capacity crowd of more than 100 peppered the white-haired socialist with questions about home health care, about how to get Congress to spend more money on social programs and less on weapons, and ethical issues such as when the terminally ill should be allowed to die.

Several voiced their worries about having to be placed in a nursing home, and asked why more resources weren't directed toward home health care.

"If I have to go there, let me die, shoot me or something," said one woman, adding that she was appalled by conditions she had seen in a nursing home.

Sanders said he was working to put more money into

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Staff Photo by Vyto Starinskis

Rep. Bernard Sanders, I-Vt., addresses seniors at the Godnick Center in Rutland on Monday.

Sanders

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home health care, noting that medical services can often be delivered more effectively in the home.

"You have people who if they even just had someone to make the beds or cook a meal — that would be a nominal cost," compared to placement in a nursing home, he said. "One of the shifts that we want to do is to make more home health care available."

But Sanders saved most of his rhetorical fire for another major shift he advocates — reducing "corporate welfare," defense programs, and tax cuts for the wealthy in favor of saving national health insurance budgets.

He hammered the Republican Congress for proposing deep cuts in health care spending while continuing subsidies that benefit corporations, or funding the purchase of 20 B-2 bombers at \$1 billion each.

The budget passed by Congress and later vetoed by President Bill Clinton would have cut \$433 billion from Medicaid and Medicare by the year 2002, according to Sanders.

He acknowledged that Republicans would argue that the reductions in those programs do not amount to cuts, because overall health insurance spending levels would actually go up.

But according to Sanders, inflation in the general economy, as well as in the cost of health care, would effectively result in the cuts he projected. He said the Republican budget would gradually increase Medicare premiums from the current \$46.10 per month to \$88.90 per month by the year 2002.

Over the same period, Sanders

said, the Republicans have proposed tax cuts amounting to \$270 billion.

"That is an insane and cruel set of priorities," Sanders said. "I think the American people are catching on."

Sanders' message appeared to resonate with the audience, which gave him several rounds of applause. One woman asked what, beyond voting against politicians who disagree, the elderly can do.

"What are some effective methods of preventing this robbery?" she asked.

Sanders responded that the most important thing was to speak up, whether by speaking with the print media, holding press conferences, or calling in to radio talk shows.

"Don't be afraid to get your name in the paper," Sanders said. "Some of you on a nice day could maybe go out with a little picket sign."

He said that during his eight years as Burlington's mayor, the rich and powerful would often stop by his office seeking favors. But the poor or disenfranchised did not.

"Remember that each and every one of you has power," Sanders said. "How do we know how you feel if you don't tell us? All over America, if seniors stood up and said 'wait a sec here'... in five seconds (Congress) would reverse themselves — Newt Gingrich would get up and say 'Obviously there was a misunderstanding.'"

Those words drew strong approval from several in the audience. "If you don't say anything, nothing will happen," said Chester Hickock, a Bennington resident and official

with the American Association of Retired People. "We have got the votes." Politicians who harp on the potential cuts to health insurance are often accused of trying to scare the elderly. But one retired Belmont resident, Semah Unterman, said Sanders was right on target.

"I think we are facing some serious threats," she said. "These programs mean a lot to us — my husband has been very ill and I don't know where we'd be without them."

Sanders was joined at the forum by representatives of the American Association of Retired Persons, the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging, and the National Committee to Preserve Social Security and Medicare.

The event grew unruly at one point, when Marlboro resident Ernest Croff rose to attack Sanders' politics. Croff waved a 1970 newspaper clipping that showed Sanders with long hair, and asked Sanders to acknowledge that he was a socialist.

Sanders admitted both that he had once had long hair and that he described himself as a Democratic Socialist. The crowd was clearly with him. Many booed Croff, and one man rose to state: "I spent two years as a marine and I don't give a damn if he's a socialist or a communist. I don't want to hear it."

Croff angrily left the room. Soon after, Sanders drew the names of two people who would receive American flags that had flown over the Capitol.

In an ironic twist, one of the names Sanders drew was Croff's.

Farmer's Market Opens on Saturday

The Downtown Farmer's Market will open for the season Saturday, May 11, in the Rutland Plaza parking lot from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The farmer's market will be held each Saturday until Oct. 26 and beginning June 11, Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. as well.

Benefit Softball

The fourth annual **Hannaford Softball Tournament** to benefit the Salvation Army will take place the weekend of June 8-9. It will be played at the J. Fred Carbine and Max Fineberg fields in Rutland City. The entry fee is \$100 per team and the first 12 teams will be accepted. Trophies will be awarded to the top three teams. The double-elimination event will also include a home run derby. For more information please contact Rupert or Bob at 775-3460.

Bus Trip

The Rutland Recreation Department's Godnick Center is sponsoring a bus trip to Lakes Region Summer Theater to see "Annie Get Your Gun" on Wednesday, July 17. Registration begins at 9 a.m. Monday, May 13, for city residents and Tuesday, May 14, for non-residents. The fee of \$34 per person (non-residents add \$6) is payable at time of registration. The price includes the show, lunch at MAME's Restaurant in Meredith, N.H., transportation

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and time for shopping in the local outlet stores. The Vermont Transit bus will leave the Godnick Center at 7:30 a.m. and will return at about 7:30 p.m. For more information, please call the center at 773-1853.

Markets Will Share City's Depot Park

Combined Market Has 50 Vendors

By **FREDERICK BEVER**
Herald Staff

Two area farmer's markets will join forces this summer at Depot Park.

After a year of sometimes contentious relations, members of the Rutland County Farmer's Market and the Vermont Farmer's Market will sell their wares side by side at the downtown site.

"They'll be pooling resources," said Ri-

chard Courcelle, manager of the Rutland Partnership. "You're going to see a stronger, healthier, more vibrant market than either could have achieved on their own."

Members of the well-established county market will return to the downtown following a one-year absence. Market members and city officials could not come to terms on site specifics last year and the market fled south. After two decades in the city, the county market moved to Route 7 south to a space provided by Kinney Motors. The smaller Vermont Farmer's Market — an offshoot

of the Poultney Farmer's Market — moved in to the park halfway through the season and operated a scaled-down market.

The park will be reconfigured this summer. The new landscaping was designed to maximize vendor space and give the park a general face-lift.

Because the construction is not expected to be completed until July, vendors will begin the season from the north end of the downtown plaza parking lot, in front of the former Kmart.

"They'll be able to watch their new home come to life," Courcelle said. He

added that people who have grown accustomed to using that end of the lot will have to park elsewhere when the market is open.

Market days will be Tuesday and Saturday, from mid-May through late October.

Courcelle said he expected about 50 vendors to set up shop in the park, making the joint market "the largest and the strongest of its kind in the state."

Half the spaces in the new park will go to vendors from the Rutland County Farmer's Market, and half to the Vermont Farmer's Market.

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Center

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The original plan located the center at the Dana Recreation Center, but boosters backed off after opponents turned out in force at a neighborhood meeting.

Southeast School was chosen as an alternate because, in part, it was separated from immediate neighbors by its 14-acre grounds.

The Vermont Achievement Center, which would run the new program, already operates a non-traditional education program at the Southeast School.

But concerns have surfaced that youths visiting the teen center will wander off the grounds and through neighboring properties — most often in the direction of nearby White's Pool.

"We don't want something shoved down our throats," said Robert West, a Lyman Avenue resident. "I'm not saying we're totally against it, but we deserve a (neighborhood) meeting first."

David Wolk, assistant superintendent of city schools, said he had spoken to West about the matter.

Wolk said he would convene a neighborhood meeting if and when the \$98,000 grant comes through. He added that the board overseeing the project would include a neighborhood resident.

"We looked at it very differently since we already had run a program there which has not been problematic in any way," Wolk said. "We want to work with the neighborhood in a very positive way."

As proposed, the center would house a drop-in center for teens after school hours and on weekends. In addition to recreational activities such as dancing or pool, the program would feature job counseling, referral services and opportunities for community service.

The Rutland Area Mentoring Program would also gain a full-time coordinator through the grant. In addition, the program would provide training for teachers involved with motivational education and boost intramural sports opportunities.

Neighborhood Reacts to New Teen Proposal

By **FREDERICK BEVER**
Herald Staff

Neighbors of a teen center planned for the former Southeast School are up in arms because no one ever asked for their views on the project.

And according to one alderman who lives in that Allen Street neighborhood, local sentiment is strongly against the idea.

"I am a little disturbed that a meeting wasn't held here," said Alderman Paul Clifford, who lives on nearby Jackson Avenue. Clifford said he had spoken to approximately 15 residents, and other aldermen said they had heard complaints as well.

"What I would like to see from (teen center organizers) is a commitment to hear these people out before they get into completely moving into that facility as a youth center," Clifford said.

This is not the first time the "youth services center" concept has run into opposition since school officials began seeking grant funds last month.

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New Flag Football

There will be a meeting on May 2 at 7 p.m. at the Dana Recreation Center in Rutland for all those who wish to be involved with the new flag football program. Plans are underway to take the program to the next level with shoulder pads and helmets and anyone who would like to help out in any way is urged to attend.

Tryouts at Giorgetti

The tryout for Midget League baseball, originally scheduled for White's Field, will be at Giorgetti Park this morning at 10. Tryouts will be held rain or shine.

Sanders Has Forum For Area Seniors

Are you an elderly Vermonter concerned about possible cuts to Social Security and Medicare?

Rep. Bernie Sanders, I-Vt., will hold a "Forum on Senior Citizen Issues," in Rutland April 22 to talk about proposed cuts to Social Security, Medicaid and Medicare, and the impact these proposals could have on seniors in our state and nation. The forum will be held in conjunction with the National Committee to Preserve Social Security and Medicare and will feature the committee's executive vice president, Max Richtman.

The forum will be held Monday, April 22, at the Godnick Adult Center on Deer Street from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Everyone is welcome to attend and share their views. Panelists will also be on hand to answer questions. For information on the meeting, call Sanders' office at 1-800-339-9834.

A Religious March in May

Once again Rutland will participate in the worldwide "March For Jesus" on May 25, a Saturday.

A gathering of churches from Rutland and the area will meet that morning at Court Street in front of the library at 9 a.m. to assemble and practice.

The march will begin at 10 a.m.

A prayer rally will be held at Main Street Park at 10:30 a.m.

For those unable to walk, a van will be provided. Invite a friend and praise the Lord!

If you have any questions call Philip Guica in Pittsford (483-2540).

JANET GRANGER
Rutland

Today

THINGS TO DO

Farmers Market

Rutland, Downtown Farmers Market opens 1996 season, plaza parking lot, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Skate Park

The Zero Gravity Skate Park, located at Giorgetti Park in Rutland, is now open for the season. The park will be open to skaters and bikers from noon to 8:30 p.m. will have rental equipment available. Safety equipment is required.

Rutland Egg Hunt A Big Hit

By ED BARNA
Correspondent

To the peoples of ancient India, a great golden egg gave birth to the universe.

To the ancient Egyptians, the egg produced by Geb the earth and Nut the sky created all life.

In medieval Europe, people believed eggs laid on Good Friday, if preserved for a hundred years, would have their yolks turn into diamonds.

But the hundreds of children who showed up at the Godnick Center Saturday morning for the annual Rutland Easter egg hunt didn't need thousands of years of egg traditions to know that good things come in ovoid packages.

The Rutland Recreation Department has found a way to get the next generation's attention in a way more magical than anything the ancient shamans could have devised.

Forget the kind of eggs that young hands can squash or drop or throw, or that someone has to boil by the hundreds. Use brilliantly colored hollow plastic eggs — and fill them with candy.

The Klondike gold rush and the Oklahoma land rush could not have been more crowded with avid treasure-seekers. Jim Lehman, the Recreation Department official trying to maintain order among perhaps 300 milling three- to 10-year-olds, and their parents, warned that there were no eggs beyond the benches behind the center, so don't go near the road.

"There's a limit of 10 eggs," Lehman bellowed. "There may be another 100 people coming through at any time."

Even the presence of the Easter Bunny couldn't hold back the horde, once the hunt began. They deployed like one of the community bear drives held by Vermont's early settlers, leaving no tuft of grass or pile of debris unturned.

What was the strategy that Allyson Kimball, age six, used to get her limit? "I ran," she said, "and I had to look under some leaves."

Wesley Henderson, though only four years old, showed similar diligence. "I found them where the worms live," he said.

He or she who grabbed fastest got the most, to the point where one parent said he made his son



Photos By Peter Field Peck

There were plenty of Easter eggs and plenty of kids to hunt for them at the Godnick Adult Center in Rutland Saturday. Above, two children team up in their search. At right, Taylor Goeke of Rutland offers one of her eggs to the Easter Bunny. Roughly 300 children searched for some 1,500 candy-filled eggs at the event.



put back most of the 30 or so eggs he found. A few children got none at all.

But then came the Easter Bunny's helper, Jessica Welch, another Recreation Department worker. With her shirttails tied to make a pouch, she wandered the grounds, tossing out more eggs.

"I look for the tears and then I stand by and drop them in front of them," Welch said. In all, there were about 1,500 eggs, stuffed with goodies by the people at the Senior Center.

One father explained to his little boy why one of Welch's eggs had suddenly appeared. Pointing to the top of a tree, he said: "They're way up there. You can't even see them.

The wind blew them down."

Henderson, the son of Welch's fiancée, got into the act and started tossing out some of his own finds so other children could have them — a sharp contrast with the child one mother complained had walked off with a full pail.

"You'll get a big treat from the Easter Bunny for sharing your eggs," Welch said.

Belief in the Easter Bunny is alive and well. Matthew Kimball, age nine, held up a piece of fluff and announced, "I found the Easter Bunny's tail!"

"Last year he got his tail stuck in my door," Kimball said. There was a note, and "he said he had to

go to the hospital."

But on Saturday the bunny was still going, posing for pictures, as pink and white as ever.

"Let's go!" urged one father to his son, who was still looking for egg number ten. "We've got to get out of here!"

Only a half hour into the two-hour event, all but about 40 of the eggs were gone. The custom of the egg hunt, brought to this country by German immigrants in the 19th century, had again proven itself a favorite.

"That's all right, you'll find one another day," counseled a parent to a disappointed youngster.

Perhaps Sunday morning.

Rutland May Seek Recreation District With Other Towns

By LINNEA ANDERSON
Herald Staff

While the idea has been tossed around for years, the city says it is serious this time about studying a regional recreation district with nearby towns.

Rutland City Recreation Superintendent Leif Dahlin said the city wants to talk to any towns interested in working together on recreation issues.

"This is an idea in its early stages," Dahlin said. "If the communities are interested, we are excited to work with them to see how this can take place."

Benefits of having a regional recreation district include cost sharing, providing more programs and services, and reducing the volunteer workload on the respective communities, he said.

The idea of working together on recreation services has been mentioned for years but never studied in-depth. Dahlin said the city is proceeding with the idea cautiously.

"No commitments have been made except to study the idea."

So far, the city has met with Rutland Town, a community considered vital to the process, to discuss the study. The city broached the subject

with the town's recreation department in February.

The town then surveyed its residents March 5. The response was a 522-232 vote in favor of studying the idea of a regional recreational district, according to Larry DellVeneri, chairman of the town's recreation department.

DellVeneri said the town is now waiting to have another meeting with the city.

"We have no concrete plans. We're waiting for the city to contact us. Right now, I'm in the dark."

Dahlin said the town's survey results were "exciting." Rutland Town was asked first because "they're pivotal" because of the town's central location, he said.

The city will continue to contact officials in surrounding communities, including Sherburne, West Rutland, Mendon, Chittenden and Proctor, to gauge interest in the idea, he said.

Then, all interested officials will meet for a round-table discussion.

The next step would be to form a task force made up of community representatives to discuss models of regional recreation districts, he said. The task force would explore

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Rec Department Offers Aerobics

Rutland Recreation and Parks Department will offer an eight-week aerobics class, April 2 through May 23, at Vermont Achievement Center.

Classes will be held Tuesday and Thursday from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m.

The cost for city residents is \$26 and for non-residents is \$33.

Sign up at the Dana Recreation Center.

Senior Highlights

Highlights for April 3-5 at the Godnick Center:

Wednesday: 9:30 a.m., exercise; 12:30 p.m.; 1 p.m., pinocle.

Thursday: 9:30 a.m., folk dancing and bridge lessons; 10 a.m., canasta; 1 p.m., poker; 1:15 p.m., bingo; 7 p.m., Bridge Club.

Friday: 10 a.m., piano; 1 p.m., bridge and whist.

Appointments are now being made for AARP tax counselors to do income tax returns at the center. Meals are served Monday through Thursday at 11:45 a.m. The van is available for rides from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Call 773-1853.

RSVP Has Many Volunteer Needs

The Retired and Senior Volun-

teer Program is interested in helping the many non-profit agencies throughout Rutland County. The following volunteers are needed:

➤ Rutland Regional Medical Center has an office position in the Human Resources Department offering a variety of duties, courier positions for Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings until 6:30 p.m., and courier volunteers for the Emergency Department are also needed.

➤ The Meadows needs a dining room host/hostess.

➤ The College of St. Joseph and Rutland Middle School need tutors to form tutor bank and library assistants.

➤ Drivers and clerical workers at various agencies.

➤ Rutland County Guardianship Program and Vermont Guardian Ad Litem Project need guardians.

➤ Rutland Headstart needs day-care and preschool helpers.

➤ Rutland High School Alternative Education Program is in need of mentors, life skills tutor (sewing, cooking). Rutland High School needs a master gardener.

➤ Rutland Recreation Department is looking for a coordinator for Wednesday evening concerts in the park.

➤ Rutland Chamber of Commerce needs volunteers to answer the phone in the afternoon, beginning in April.

➤ Rutland Intermediate School needs tutors, mentors and library help.

➤ Fair Haven Union High School needs a lunchroom attendant.

➤ RSVP Acting Troupe needs actors and actresses. No experience necessary.

➤ Children's Growth Company in Brandon needs storytellers and/or adult nurturers for youngsters.

➤ Pleasant Manor Nursing Home needs a receptionist.

➤ Eden Park and McKerley Health Center have a variety of opportunities available.

➤ Southwest Vermont Council on Aging needs peer counselor support volunteers.

RSVP is a Rutland County United Way Agency and a nationwide program for people 55 and older who want to help meet community needs through meaningful use of their skills and knowledge in volunteer service to nonprofit groups.

For information and referral, call the RSVP office at 775-8220. Individuals of all ages are eligible.

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representation, equity, cost, attitudes, politics and other topics.

Eventually, if a model is chosen, residents in participating towns would vote on a binding referendum on the creation of a regional recreation district, Dahlin said.

"I'm not going to push this initiative too quickly," Dahlin said. The process could take 11/2 years or more to complete, he said.

Since Rutland City is the only community with a full-time recreation staff, it is natural for it to facilitate the process, Dahlin said.

Mayor Jeffrey Wennberg said the city has been conducting a comprehensive reexamination of its recreation program and facilities since October. Regional recreation is part of that analysis, he said.

He said a regional recreation district would make it possible for the communities to afford facilities that individually they could not: for example, an indoor swimming pool.

"It has a lot of attractive features," he said of the district.

Also, the city provides the "lion share" of recreation services in the region, Wennberg said. Non-residents who attend city recreational programs pay more to participate.

Although non-residents pay higher fees, it does not make up for the additional burdens on city facilities and staff, city officials said. Some city residents think the city is essentially subsidizing out-of-town residents' participation, he said.

With a recreation district, equity issues could be ironed out, he said.

Rutland Town and Sherburne have substantial recreation budgets of \$93,400 and \$104,00 respectively. Other recreation budgets range from about \$23,000 in Proctor to \$1,500 in Mendon.

While the relationship between the city and surrounding towns is sometimes contentious, Wennberg said he could foresee communities joining together on this issue.

"It seems that if there is a strong public interest in doing this, the

leadership in all communities will work together and make that happen," he said.

Communities already work together in organizations such as the Rutland Free Library, the Rutland County Solid Waste District, and the transit district, Wennberg said.

"We're quite comfortable with this type of intermunicipal relationship," he said. "It certainly is the rule rather than the exception."

Depending on what model is chosen, it is possible the city recreation department would cease to exist and the department would be shared by the district, Dahlin said.

Wennberg said it is also possible that both the city recreation department and a regional recreation district could exist at different levels.

Both officials said they invite towns to study the issue with them.

"Unquestionably, a regional approach is well worth taking time to study, explore and foster its development," Dahlin said.

Stomach Needs Less To Feel Full After Diet

From the Tufts University Diet and Nutrition Letter, comes some clarification around the question of whether one's stomach "shrinks" after a person has been dieting, resulting in less hunger.

Well, apparently, the stomach, a grapefruit-sized organ when empty, can't really get any smaller.

But new research indicates that it does lose its capacity to stretch as much as it did when it was accustomed to holding more food, and that, says the article, makes a dieter feel full on less.

Investigators at Columbia University's Obesity Research Center, proved the point when they measured the holding capacity of 14 obese people's stomachs, both before and after putting them on a weight loss regimen.

Before beginning the diet, the men and women could hold an average of almost four cups of water in their stomachs. Four weeks later, when they had lost from 12 to 28 pounds, their average holding capacity before they reached 10 on the discomfort scale was less than three cups — a decline in stomach capacity of 27 percent.

The researchers also found that the more the stomach can hold, the larger the meal needed to inform the brain that a person is full.

Happily, the converse appears to be true as well. The less food the stomach becomes used to holding comfortably, the less it takes to inform the brain that the body has had enough to eat. Good news for dieters!

On another note, I have received information from the office of Rep. Bernard Sanders, I-Vt., that he will hold a "Forum on Senior Citizen Issues" in Rutland on April 22, 1996, from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at the Godnick Senior Center.

The topic of the meeting will be the proposed cuts to Social Security, Medicaid and Medicare and the impact these proposals could have on seniors in our state and nation.

All are welcome to attend and share their views. For more information, contact Sanders' office at 1-800-339-9834.

(Barbara Hanson is community relations director for the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging.)

Menu for Meals on Wheels, Bardwell House and Godnick Center for April 15-19:



Elder Connection

By Barbara Hanson

Monday: Shepherds pie with peas and carrots, tossed salad with dressing, whole wheat bread, oatmeal cookies.

Tuesday: Roulades of beef, mashed potatoes, glazed carrots, wheat bread, raspberry chiffon.

Wednesday: Swedish meatballs with brown sauce, Rotoni noodles, spinach, whole wheat bread, chocolate cake.

Thursday: Breaded baked fish, rice pilaf, zucchini squash, Ole Quebec Italian bread, sliced apple cake.

Friday: Ham and cheddar cheese croissants, noodles Romanoff, Italian green beans, blueberry cobbler.

Senior Highlights

Highlights for April 15-19 at the Godnick Center:

Monday: 7:30 a.m., bus leaves for Foxwood Casinos; 10:30 a.m., piano; 12:30 p.m., canasta; 1:15 p.m., bingo; 7 p.m., square dance.

Tuesday: 9:30 a.m., painting class; 1 p.m., Country Crafters, bridge and poker; 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday: 1 p.m., pinochle; 1:30 p.m., Healthwise presents "Alcohol — Its Use and Misuse Amongst the Elderly."

Thursday: 10 a.m., canasta; 10:30 a.m., Officer Bob Gorruso speaks on senior safety; 1 p.m., poker; 1:15 p.m., bingo; 7 p.m., Marble Valley Bridge Club.

Friday: 10 a.m., piano; noon, Spring Luncheon and bingo; 1 p.m., bridge and whist.

Meals are served Monday through Thursday at 11:45 a.m. The van is available for rides from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Call 773-1853.

RUTLAND RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT



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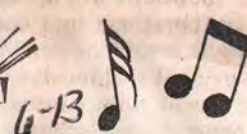


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The Denny's	August 14

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This concert series is sponsored by the Rutland Recreation and Parks Department, the Rutland Partnership, WJJR 98.1 and Pepsi.

James Mee	June 18th	S	Rick Redington	July 18th
Lisa Brande	June 20th		Tim Caira	July 23rd
Wayne Canney	June 25th	H	Dick McCormack	July 25th
Mike Kelley	June 27th		Downtown Brass	July 30th
Bruce White	July 2nd	D	Bruce White	August 1st
Tom Boise	July 9th		Rick Redington	August 6th
Wind That Shakes the Barley	July 11th	L	Woodchuck's Revenge	August 8th
Lisa McCormack	July 16th		James Mee	August 15th

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50-Plus Softball

The Rutland Recreation & Parks Department's Godnick Center will host a softball practice for men and women 50 and over on Wednesday, June 19 at 9:30 a.m. at the Max Fineberg Field on Temple Street. Any questions call 773-1853.

Benefit Softball

There will be a triple-elimination men's softball tournament July 6-7 in Rutland to help raise money for breakaway fencing. Upper and lower division teams are welcome to participate. The entry fee is \$125 per team and the first 16 teams will be accepted. Trophies will be awarded to the winning and runner up teams. For further information, call 773-5601 during the days and 747-6324 in the evenings.

Marble Valley Players Hold Annual Meeting

The Marble Valley Players community theater group will hold its annual meeting and an ice cream social Sunday, June 23, at the Dana Recreation Center on East Center Street in Rutland.

Activities will begin at 6 p.m. and will include entertainment, ice cream with all the toppings, a business meeting and an awards presentation. More than 35 awards will be presented to MVP members in recognition of their contributions and achievements in "The Wizard of Oz," "The Shame of Tombstone" and "The Odd Couple."

Anyone interested in becoming involved with community theater is invited to attend this festive event. For additional information, call 773-2891 or 247-5658.

Rutland Adult Softball

Women's A: Bud Light vs. Magoos, MS, 9:15 p.m.
Women's B: Ryan, Smith and Carbine vs. CVPS/ Fabians, MF, 6:30 p.m.
Men's A: Phil's Discount vs. KC's Tavern, MS, 7:45 p.m.
Men's B: Lindholm Sport Center vs. Center St. Saloon, Gio, 6:30 p.m.
Men's C: Tyler's Team vs. Club Rio, JFC, 6:30 p.m.
Men's D: Ranch Sluggers vs. Buccaneers, MS, 6:30 p.m.

Youth Leagues

Rutland County Senior League
Local 1201 B, Ludlow 5 — Winning pitcher: Matt Shortle. Hitting stars: Shortle, Brian Lane and Josh Sharon.
Mill River 6, Fair Haven 3 — Winning pitcher: Dillon Aimes. Hitting stars: Michael Rau and Matt Esslinger.

Survey Says: Regional Rec Center Could Be in Future

By FREDERICK BEVER
Herald Staff

A recent survey of city residents' recreation preferences has led Leif Dahlin, superintendent of Parks and Recreation, to start shaping a program that could lead to the construction of a regional recreation center.

"This has clearly given us direction," Dahlin said. "We're going to propose a regional facility as a long-term goal, no question."

He noted that in addition to city support for a new recreation facility, residents of Rutland Town also favored a regional approach in a poll conducted in March.

The city survey, mailed to more than 300 residents and answered by more than 240, showed strong support for city recreation programs, and a desire for more. It also

detailed the respondents' preferences for new facilities and programs.

At the top of the list was a recreation center — 51 percent of the people polled said they wanted a new recreation center.

And in a separate question, 46 percent said construction of a new facility or the renovation of an existing facility was their top recreation priority. Twenty-nine percent said an indoor pool was their top priority, and 25 percent said a teen center was the most important.

Dahlin has already begun to draw up a plan for how to approach creation of a regional recreation center. First on the list is contacting officials from Rutland Town and other interested towns to form a study committee. The committee's primary responsibility would be to

include developing a conceptual plan.

The study process could begin before the end of the summer, with a completion date of August 1997. If the concept receives support from the involved communities, ballot items requesting funds could be put to popular vote by March 1998.

"It's going to be very methodical, very slow, very tedious," Dahlin said. "I don't care if it takes three years."

Alderman Paul G. Clifford, chairman of the Recreation Committee, said he supported the concept, although the committee had yet to take any definitive action.

Clifford praised Dahlin for his work on the city survey, which provides a wealth of information about city users of the recreation department's programs.

Among the survey's findings:

➤ Thirty-seven percent of the respondents rated their satisfaction with the department at between 8 and 10 on a scale of 1 to 10. Another 46 percent rated the department at between 4 and 7, while only 3.5 percent rated the department below a 4.

➤ Thirty six percent of the respondents said they or family members had made use of department programs. Dahlin said that was a very high number compared to other recreation departments around the country.

➤ More than 85 percent said parks and recreation opportunities were either very important or somewhat important.

But when it came to a key question (See Page 13: Recreation)

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tion about how much tax money should be spent on department programs or facilities, Dahlin had to throw the results out. In the survey, he asked whether 2 cents of the tax rate was too much, too little or the right amount to spend on the de-

partment.

Although 38 percent said that was too low, and a similar number said it was about right, Dahlin threw the results out because the city actually dedicates about 8 cents

of the tax rate to the department.

But Dahlin said that he believed residents were ready to support more recreation facilities.

"I think there's a whole new attitude," he said. "It's very exciting."

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THINGS TO DO

Downtown Farmers Market
Rutland, Food, flowers, crafts and more, plaza parking lot, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; Middlebury, Food, flowers, vegetables and more, by the falls, Marbleworks Shopping District, 9 a.m.-noon.

Ethnic Festival
Rutland, Rutland Region Ethnic Festival features entertainment, food, art and crafts, downtown parking deck, noon-8 p.m., rain or shine, 747-3590.

Duplicate Bridge
Rutland, Marble Valley Duplicate Bridge Club plays at Godnick Center, Deer Street, 7:15 p.m., for information call Bill Becker, 773-7386, or Irene Vignoe, 773-8656, new players welcome.

Godnick Center Plans A Day at the Races

The Rutland Recreation Department's Godnick Center is sponsoring a bus trip to Rockingham Park in Salem, N.H., for a day of thoroughbred horse racing Wednesday, Aug. 21. Registration begins at 9 a.m. Monday, June 24, for city residents and Tuesday, June 25, for non-residents. The fee of \$30 per person (non-residents add \$6) is payable at time of registration. The price includes admission, program, hot and cold buffet, and transportation.

The Vermont Transit bus will leave the Godnick Center at 8 a.m. and will return at approximately 9:30 p.m.

For more information, please call the center at 773-1853.

Friday's Results

Playoffs
See softball, baseball pairings
Rutland Adult Softball
Women's A: Farrelis/Bud Light 13, Dart Mini Mart 11
Women's A: McLeod's 9, Maggo's 0 (suspended)
Men's C: Bargain Country 18, Club Rio 13

Saturday's Results

Playoffs
See baseball and softball pairings
Track and Field
Heptathlon and Decathlon at Bellows Falls, 9 a.m.

Sunday's Events

Legion Baseball
South Royalton at Rutland (2), 1 p.m.
Lacrosse
Vermont-New Hampshire Game at Dartmouth

Youth Leagues

Rutland City Midget League
Suburban Propane 12, Kiwanis 2. Winning Pitcher: Ryan Sharp. Hitting Stars: Ryan Sharp, Ben Burton and Frank Sanborn.

Proctor Youth League
Proctor A's 15, Barstow Badgers 9 — Winning pitcher: Kenny Crownsfield. Hitting stars: Crownsfield, Mike Smith and Matt Parker
Proctor Red Sox 8, Rutland Yankees 2. Winning Pitcher: John Mirro. Hitting Stars: John Mirro and Dan Wilson.

Rutland County Jr. League
Pittsford 12, Castleton 7 — Winning pitcher: Ben Hier. Hitting: Team effort.
Manchester 10, Rutland Post 31 0 — Outstanding players: Rob Gaiotti, Andrew Zoufaly and Rick Daley.

Midget Standings

Rutland City Midget League
Team Standings

K of C 9-0
IAFF 8-1
Eagles 5-3
Rotary South 4-4
Rutland Fuel 4-4
Suburban Propane 4-4
Edson Raiders 4-4
Elks 3-5
Kiwanis 2-7
Moose 1-5
First Vermont Bank 0-7

Tuesday's Results

Playoff Games
See Pairings
Rutland Rec Softball
Monday's Late Games
Women's B: Hogge Penney 13, Jilly's 3
Men's A: Keith's II/Jilly's 27, Dart Mart 15

Tuesday's Results
Men's A: Keith's II/Jilly's 5, KC's Tavern 2
Men's B: 3D's 10, Jilly's 8
Men's C: Bargain Country 7, C.J.'s 14
Men's D: Pizza Delight 11, Buccaneers 8

Wednesday's Events

Playoffs
See pairings
Rutland Adult Softball
Tuesday's Late Games
Men's A: Johnson Energy/Sabby's vs. Parkers Auto/Godnick's, MS 9:15 p.m.
Women's A: Bud Light vs. Mintzer Brothers, MN 6:30 p.m.
Women's B: Ryan, Smith & Carbine vs. WJUR, MS 7:45 p.m.

Wednesday's Results
Women's A: Wayne's vs. Two Shea's, MN
Women's B: Green Mtn. Peddlers vs. Cotrupis, MS, 7:45 p.m.
Men's A: Phil's Discount vs. Carey's, MS, 9:15 p.m.
Men's B: Center Street vs. G.E. Yellow Jackets, MS, 6:30 p.m.
Men's C: CVPS Rec. Club vs. Club Rio, Gio
Men's D: Ranch Sluggers vs. American Legion, MF

Youth Leagues

Rutland Midget League
Suburban Propane 8, Elks 5. Winning Pitcher: Brian Firlit. Hitting Stars: Ben Burton, Mike Pratt and Ryan Sharp
Rutland Fuel 13, First Vermont Bank 4. Winning Pitcher: Kyle Massey. Hitting Stars: Matt Sarault, Kyle Massey and Bart Wing

Junior Babe Ruth
Post 31 11, Rutland Town 7. Winning pitcher — Joe Brown. Hitting stars — Joe Brown, Scott Drew

Redman, Sprague Are Crowley Winners

By TOM HALEY
Herald Staff

And you thought love was a tennis term? Carolyn Sprague and Rodney Viens of Claremont, N.H., who announced their engagement only last week, finished No. 1 in the women's competition and No. 2 in the men's competition, respectively, in the Crowley Memorial Brothers 10-K Road Race on Sunday.

Florence's Lawton Redman won the men's race easily. The St. Lawrence University cross country, nordic skiing and track standout, clocked 33:34. That was the best time in this race in the past four years.

Viens was a distant second in 34:48 and Rutland's Jack Arthur was close behind him with a 34:56. Rutland's Eric Huey was fourth in 35:38 and Manchester Center's Richard Charbonneau fifth with a 37:04.

Redman, who just completed a track season in the 5-K and 10-K, was well into the lead midway through the race and held a good-sized lead throughout.

"It was hot," said Redman. "But I've been training. I've been biking and doing a lot of cross training."

Sprague's winning time was 38:57. That put her eighth overall in a field of 64 finishers. The second female was Pittsford's Nikki Kimball who clocked 40:57.

Rounding out the top five were Tamsen Schurman of El Prado, N.M. (41:27), Meg Crawford of Claremont, N.H. (41:44) and Rutland's Joya Tetreault (42:37.)

Schurman is the No. 1 runner for the cross country team at Elon College in North Carolina. Tetreault, a four-year cross country/track standout at Rutland High will be a freshman in the University of Vermont cross country program in the fall.

"I was really happy with my splits at 5-K and 8-K. This is the best race I've had all year," said Sprague, who was fourth in her age division (30-39) at the Covered Bridges Half-Marathon in Woodstock with a time of 1:27.49. Kimball was fourth in the 20-29 age division at the Covered Bridges in 1:32.08.

"I'm really happy with my time. This is a tough course," said Sprague.

"It's a miserable beast of a course," agreed Arthur of the Proctor-to-Rutland layout.

Sprague said she was aware of Tetreault running near her early in the race.

"I knew Joya was close by from seeing her mother applauding," said Sprague. "It's hard for high school (See Page 20: Crowley)



Staff photo by Linda Skovira

Rodney Viens, left, of Claremont, N.H., and Florence's Lawton Redman battle for the lead in the Crowley Brothers Memorial Road Race on Sunday. Redman, a runner and cross-country skier for St. Lawrence University, won the 10-k race with a time of 33:34.

Downtown Farmers Market

Rutland, Food, flowers, crafts and more, plaza parking lot, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; Middlebury, Food, flowers, vegetables and more, by the falls, Marbleworks Shopping District, 9 a.m.-noon; Londonderry, West River farmers market, Routes 11 and 100, in the park, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Thursday's Results

Playoffs
No games scheduled
Rutland Adult Softball
Wednesday's Late Game
Women's B: Cotrupi's 13, Green Mtn. Peddlers 6
Thursday's Results
All Games Cancelled

Godnick Center Plans A Day at the Races

The Rutland Recreation Department's Godnick Center is sponsoring a bus trip to Rockingham Park

Friday's Events

Playoffs
See softball, baseball pairings
Rutland Adult Softball
Women's A: Magoo's vs. McLeod's, MN
Women's A: CJ's vs. Mintzer Brothers, MS, 7:45 p.m.
Men's B: Uncle Sam's vs. Mtn. Thread 'N' Shred, MS, 6:30 p.m.
Men's C: Tyler's Team vs. CJ's No. 2, Gio
Men's C: CJ's No. 1 vs. Two Shea's, MS, 9:15 p.m.

Garden in the Park

Rutland, Garden lectures, programs, speakers, displays, activities, food, music, South Main Street Park, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., adults, \$2.

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kids to run a 10-K because they go out too fast."

Chittenden's 74-year-old Hugh Short, who finished 41st in a time of 51:37 was presented a whole box of coffee mugs in recognition of his contribution to area running over the years.

The top 15 male finishers — 1. Redman (33:34); 2. Viens (34:38); 3. Arthur (34:56); 4. Huey (35:38); 5. Charbonneau (37:04); 6. Mark Brown, Bomoseen (37:33); 7. Peter

Patten, Fair Haven (38:21); 8. Kevin Arthur, Essex Jct. (39:35); 9. Jerome McDougale, North Walpole, N.H. (39:49); 10. Warren Foster, Brandon (40:23); 11. Harry Curth, Ferrisburgh (40:58); 12. Peter Rowlands, Poultney (41:03); 13. Michael Lannon, Rutland (41:45); 14. John Olson, Rutland (42:29); 15. Michael Coleman, Rutland (41:45.)

The top 15 female finishers — 1. Sprague (38:57); 2. Kimball (40:57); 3. Schurman (41:27); 4.

Crawford (41:44); 5. Tetreault (42:37); 6. Michele Carrol, Rutland (44:06); 7. Kathleen Amend, Chester (47:49); 8. Joan Brown, Bomoseen (49:21); 9. Michelle Lee, Rutland (49:34); 10. Amy Gillis, Brookline, Mass. (50:09); 11. Shannon Brown, Pittsford (50:52); 12. Megan Foster, Brandon (51:02); 13. Cindy Kilic, Castleton (51:11); 14. Michelle Opsahl, Rutland (51:32); 15. Rosemary Rusin, Florence (52:50.)

Rutland Adult Softball Tuesday's Late Games

Men's A: Johnson Energy/Sabby's 19, Parkers Auto/Godnick's 2
Women's A: Bud Light 30, Mintzer Brothers 3
Women's B: Ryan, Smith & Carbine 14, WJUR 10
Wednesday's Results
Women's A: Two Shea's 8, Wayne's 2
Men's B: G.E. Yellow Jackets 9, Center Street 7
Men's C: CVPS Rec. Club 7, Club Rio 0 (forfeit)
Men's D: American Legion 27, Ranch Sluggers 10

Thursday's Games

Playoffs
No games scheduled
Rutland Adult Softball
Wednesday's Late Games
Women's B: Green Mtn. Peddlers vs. Cotrupi's MS, 7:45 p.m.
Men's A: Phil's Discount vs. Carey's, MS, 9:1 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Women's A: Tapa vs. BRP/The Inn, MN
Women's B: CVPS/Fabians vs. Cripple Creel MS, 7:45 p.m.
Men's A: KC's vs. Farrell/Bud Light, MS, 9:1 p.m.
Men's B: Mr. C's vs. The Nailers, MS, 6:30 p.m.
Men's C: Two Shea's vs. Feds, Gio
Men's D: Magoo's vs. Albark, MF

Friday's Results

State Tournaments
See playoff pairings
Rutland Adult Softball
Thursday Late Scores
Women's A: Bud Light 15, CJ's 3
Women's B: Contrup Builders 18, Club Rio 10
Men's C: Tyler's Team 15, CVPS Rec Club 10
Friday's Scores
Women's A: Magoo's vs. Tapas, MS, 9:15 p.m.
Women's B: Green Min. Peddlers, 15, Cripple Creek 14
Men's B: 3D's 17, Center St. Saloon 5
Men's C: Renegades vs. Feds, MS, 7:45 p.m.
Men's C: Bargain Country 10, Phillips & Sons 9

Monday's Results

See playoff pairings
Rutland Rec Softball
Women's A: Jilly's 19, CJ's 3
Men's A: Keith's II vs. Dart Mini Mart, MS 9:15 p.m.
Men's B: Reds 5, Lindholms 3
Men's C: Phillips N Sons 10, Renegades 1
Men's D: VAC vs. Cripple Creek, ppd.

Tuesday's Events

Playoff Games
See pairings
Rutland Rec Softball
Men's A: KC's Tavern vs. Keith's II/Jilly's, JFC, 6:30 p.m.
Women's A: Bud Light vs. Mintzer Brothers, MN 6:30 p.m.
Women's B: Ryan, Smith & Carbine vs. WJJR, MS 7:45 p.m.
Men's A: Johnson Energy/Sabby's vs. Parkers Auto/Godnicks, MS 9:15 p.m.
Men's B: 3D's vs. Jilly's, MS 6:30 p.m.
Men's C: CJ's 1 vs. Bargain Country, Gio 6:30 p.m.
Men's D: Buccaneers vs. Pizza Delight, MF 6:30 p.m.

Youth Leagues

Rutland City Midget League
Edson Raiders 11, Eagles 10 — Winning pitcher: Brad Basso. Hitting: Team effort.

Town & Country Little League
Rutland Town Giants 14, Proctor Red Sox 5 — Winning pitcher: Sam Conway. Hitting stars: Conway, Greg Wallett and Greg Lewis.

Rutland County Junior League
Manchester 2, Rutland Expos 0 — Outstanding players: Rick Daley, Andrew Zoutaly and Travis Frost.

Reserve Now For Quebec City Trip

The Godnick Adult Center is sponsoring a four-day trip to Quebec City, Canada, beginning Sept. 9.

Registration begins at 9 a.m. Monday, June 10, for city residents, and Tuesday, June 11, for non-residents. A non-refundable deposit of \$30 is due at time of registration. The balance is due on or before July 10.

The trip includes: tours of Old Quebec, The Citadel, St. Louis Arch, Place Royale, St. Anne De Beaupre Shrine and Isle of Orleans. The cost per person is \$449/single (\$319/double and \$315/triple, non-residents add \$6) and includes: bus transportation, three nights of lodging at the Quebec Hilton, six meals, baggage handling, guide service, all taxes and most gratuities.

The bus leaves at 10 a.m. on Monday and returns at approximately 4 p.m. Thursday. For more information, please call the Godnick Center at 773-1853.

Senior Citizens

The Rutland Council of Senior Citizens will hold its next regular meeting at the Godnick Adult Center Wednesday, June 12. Bring a bag lunch to eat at 5 p.m. Entertainment will precede the social. At this time members can sign for a catered supper which will take place at the next meeting.

Today

THINGS TO DO

Downtown Farmers Market

Rutland, Food, flowers, crafts and more, plaza parking lot, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

ORGANIZATIONS

Duplicate Bridge

Rutland, Marble Valley Duplicate Bridge Club plays at Godnick Center, Deer Street, 7:15 p.m., for information call Bill Becker, 773-7386, or Irene Vignoe, 773-8656, new players welcome.

My Vermont Garden

Peggy Stattel

Tips and Talks At 'Garden In the Park'

Now that my picture is in the paper each week, I have people coming up to me and saying things like, "Don't I know you from somewhere?" or "Haven't I seen you somewhere before?" (I haven't heard those lines since my dating days.) Once when I explained to one of those inquisitive folks that they probably saw me in the paper they said, "No, that's not it."

When you see me around town I won't mind talking about gardening. Talking about gardening is just what I'm going to be doing next week at Garden in the Park at the Chaffee Center for the Visual Arts. Mary Sautter, a local landscape designer, is coordinating the event which takes place on Saturday, June 15 and Sunday, June 16, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day.



She asked if I would be willing to speak about the pleasure (and perils) of writing a garden column. I'm honored and humbled to be included with some very knowledgeable authors, herbalists, crafters and other local horticulture experts.

The first demonstration on Saturday will be tips on how to grow roses in Vermont. Then the entertaining storyteller/author/musician/ecologist, Michael Caduto, will explore the way people can be part of the circle of life by tending a garden. The kids will love this one. Margaret Hensel, the author of "English Cottage Gardening for American Gardeners," will speak at 1 p.m. on Saturday. She is a landscape designer who has photographed and written about gardens throughout the world. She will provide a slide presentation of cottage gardens in England and America. She'll also offer practical advice for designing New England gardens.

Speaking later that afternoon will be Benjamin Watson, author of "Taylor's Guide to Heirloom Vegetables." He'll offer a slide presentation, discussion of the advantages of heirloom vegetables and introduce you to seed saving and exchange programs in our area. I'll be speaking after his lecture at 3:45. I'm sure he'll be a tough act to follow.

Sunday's lineup is just as interesting. You'll be able to learn about edible flowers, creating wildlife habitats in your own backyard, folklore and use of herbs and how to control pests. At 12:30, Steve Swinburne will provide hands-on demonstrations to show you how to attract swallows to your yard. He has authored and photographed several books. In addition, he has written articles for Highlights for Children and Family Fun magazines.

There will be many more exhibits, demonstrations, landscaped garden rooms, outdoor cafes and entertainment. All the lectures will be held at the Speakers' Tent located at the South Main Street Park (Route 7 in Rutland). The \$2 daily admission to Garden in the Park includes all lectures, entertainment and exhibits. For more information, call the Chaffee Center at 775-0356.

I'll see you there.

(Peggy Stattel of Proctor is a regular columnist for the Rutland Herald. She also is a volunteer with the UVM Extension System.)

Crowley Race Is Sunday

By TOM HALEY
Herald Staff



The Crowley Brothers Memorial Road Race

Don't ever say race promoter Randy Wright doesn't have a sense of history. Aware that the the Crowley Brothers Memorial Road Race owed its origin to a challenge between Clarence De Mar and Frank Crowley to race from Proctor to Rutland, Wright gave the 1995 race its own challenge twist.

The challenge concept continues in the race on Sunday. Any two people can challenge one another for their own race within the race and handicaps are allowed.

The race begins in front of Proctor High School at 9 a.m. and ends 6.2 miles later at the Albank in Rutland.

A look a few of the challenges:

► Middletown Springs' Kathy LaMontagne and Rutland's Michelle Opsahl work as Registered Nurses in ICU/DCU at the Rutland Regional Medical Center. They are running partners and have done several races together — the Tufts 10k, the last two First Night Races in Rutland and the fun run in Chittenden this spring.

They have agreed on a handicap of 1.2 minutes for LaMontagne.

► A father-daughter challenge between Brandon's Warren and Meg Foster gives Warren an early Father's Day present. Dad gives Meg a 10-minute handicap. Both have run for several years and they are avid cross country skiers.

► Joanne McCroskey gives Lynn Mack six minutes in a sister-sister challenge. Mack is from West Rutland; McCroskey from Rutland. Lynn has never beaten Joanne, but has to believe this could be the time with the six-minute handicap in her favor.

► Mark Brown and his wife Joan will be involved in a challenge. Last year Mark finished the Crowley Race in 38:34 and Joan in 50:23. Joan's challenged to Mark is that she can close that gap and Mark believes he can widen it. Mark has run the New York City Marathon.

► A father-son challenge between Peter and Conor Patten gives Conor a 20-minute advantage. The 43-year-old Peter is a fixture on the local road race circuit and is a veteran of marathons. Conor is 13 years of age and they term their challenge one for "intergenerational bragging rights."

► John Gates and Jane Haley of Claremont, N.H., are challenging one another for the second straight year. Last year John won the challenge and Jane had to attend the Grateful Dead concert instead of the Oldies concert they would have gone to if she had won.

Gates' crowning achievement came when he completed the 100th edition of the Boston Marathon in April.

Hugh Short, 74, of Chittenden has been given the No. 1 bib for the race.

"We have given him that number in recognition to his many contributions to area road racing," said Wright.

Others who have pre-registered for the race include Rutland's Mike Coleman, South Pomfret's Tamsen Schurman, Middlebury's Chip Winner, Rutland's Scott Dikeman, Florence's Rosemary Rusin, Poultney's Peter Rowlands, Rutland's Chuck Rose, St. Albans' Frank Short, Woodstock's David Chioffi, Pittsford's Nikki Kimball, Rutland's Angela Stannard, Rutland's Roy Carpenter, Rutland's Michael Dick, Rutland's Michele Carroll, Rutland's Monda Kelly, Winooski's Wally Robinson, Proctor's Kathryn Milillo, Pittsford's Shannon Brown, West Rutland's Bob Jablonski, Ferrisburg's Harry Curth, Killington's Lori Canney and Rutland's Ron Finn.

The race is named for the three Crowley brothers — Frank, Joe and Larry who were prominent in Rutland athletics. Frank was an outstanding distance runner at Manhattan College and competed in the 1932 Olympic Games in Los Angeles.

Two runners who are not among the pre-registered group but are expected in the field are Rutland's Eric Huey and Jack Arthur.

"I would think they would be the two favorites," said Wright.

Huey clocked an outstanding time of 1:14.04 in the Covered Bridges Half Marathon on May 5 in the Woodstock/Quechee area.

► **Foot Notes** — Leif Dahlin of the Rutland Recreation Department will be driving the pace car ... RSVP will be busy in the race as volunteers. Joe Crowley was very involved in that organization ... Rutland High jayvee baseball coach Kevin Bellomo and players from the Rutland High baseball program will be among the volunteers ... It appears it will be a race with a strong local flavor. Haley and Gates are the only pre-registered runners with an out-of-state address ... There will be water stops at 2.5 miles and 4 miles ... This is the 20th running of the Crowley and Proctor's Mike Canty has run in 18 of them, Unfortunately, he will miss this one with a pulled calf muscle.



Sports Scan

Crowley Volunteers

Volunteers are needed for the annual Crowley Brothers Memorial 10K Road Race on Sunday. Volunteers performing jobs such as crossing guards, water aids and registration assistants are needed. The Rutland Recreation Department estimates it needs 25 volunteers to safely and efficiently run the Proctor-to-Rutland race. Volunteers should reserve the time of 8-10 a.m. They can call **EJ Bishop**, Program Director at the Rutland Recreation Department, or report to **Randy Wright** in front of Albank on Merchants Row at 8 a.m. the day of the race.

Tennis Camps

The Rutland Recreation Department will be offering four sessions of tennis camps this summer. The first session runs from June 17-21 for ages 7-10. The second sessions run June 24-28 for ages 11-14. The third session is from July 8-12 for ages 7-10 and the final session from July 15-19 for ages 11-14. The times for all sessions are 9 a.m. to noon. The fee is \$35 for Rutland City residents and \$42 for non-residents. There is an optional fee of \$6 for a T-shirt and prospective campers can sign up at the Dana Recreation Center.

The instructor is **Bruce White**.

Alley Concert Series Opens on June 13

Two of the nation's rising folk stars will perform in the first Folk Alley Thursdays concert June 13 from 7 to 9 p.m. in downtown Rutland's Center Street Alley.

This free concert features six-time Emmy Award-winning singer, songwriter and guitarist A.J. Gundell and the magical Michigan duo, Mustard's Retreat.

Gundell has carved out a distinctive career with his own unique blend of heartland acoustic music. Currently the musical director of TV's "All My Children," he has written the scores for daytime soap operas including "Guiding Light," "Another World" and "As the World Turns." His original compositions have been recorded by artists including Crystal Gayle and Kathy Mattea.

David Tamulevich and Michael Hough are the main ingredients in Mustard's Retreat, a folk duo whose goal is to leave audience entertained, amused, uplifted and enlightened. The two former short-order cooks dish up an irresistible potion of stories and melodies guaranteed to cure what ails you.

In case of rain, the show will be held in the atrium of the Asa Bloomer State Office Building at 88 Merchants Row.

For information, call Rutland Partnership at 773-9380 or Rutland Area Cultural Alliance at 747-3590.

Opening Tuesday June 11th 9-3

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DOWNTOWN FARMER'S MARKET

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Maple Syrup	100's of Hand-Crafted
Jams & Jellies	Items
Honey	Lettuce

Today

6-8

THINGS TO DO

Downtown Farmers Market

Rutland, Food, flowers, crafts and more, plaza parking lot; 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; Middlebury, Food, flowers, vegetables and more, by the falls, Marbleworks Shopping District, 9 a.m.-noon.

Pool Opening Delayed

The Rutland Recreation Department's Whites Pool will not open June 8 as previously advertised. There is now a tentative opening date of Friday, June 14.

City Would Give Depot Parking Lot To Developer

By ALAN J. KEAYS
Herald Staff

Rutland City is negotiating a contract that would allow the owners of the downtown Rutland Shopping Plaza to purchase the 220-space Depot Park parking lot for \$1, which would save the city \$30,000 a year in maintenance.

The proposed amended lease between the city and NET was filed Monday in response to questions from the District 1 Environmental Commission concerning the availability of parking with the proposed addition of Wal-Mart to the downtown plaza.

If NET purchases the lot, the city's \$30,000 maintenance cost will stay in city's parking meter fund to help establish a \$45,000 escrow account for renting or buying lots if parking is needed downtown, according to Matthew Sternberg, the executive director of the Rutland Redevelopment Authority.

The city has been leasing the property to NET Realty Holding Inc. since 1965. For \$1, NET leases the property and the city helps fund the upkeep, which costs about \$30,000 a year.

That contract was to expire in 2016, but a provision allowed NET to extend it another 25 years.

Wal-Mart announced plans in April for a 76,000 square-foot department store in the former Kmart building. Earlier this month, Act 250 officials issued a laundry list of information the city and NET must provide as part of their application to amend the Act 250 permit for the site.

The information was requested in preparation for a public hearing on June 4 at City Hall at 9 a.m. concerning the proposal to site Wal-Mart in the downtown shopping plaza.

The documents were filed by Lawrence G. Slason, the attorney representing NET, a co-applicant with Rutland City.

According to the amended lease, NET will have until 2016 to exercise an option to purchase the lot for \$1. Slason wrote that officials from the city and NET are expected sign the amended agreement in the next several days.

"The city wants to get out from the cost of maintaining the lot," Sternberg said. "That's been quite a drain over the years."

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Wal-Mart

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Rutland City Mayor Jeffrey N. Wennberg could not be reached Monday for comment.

Responding to a separate request from Act 250 officials for a description of any terms in the Wal-Mart lease relating to parking, Slason wrote: "It is not clear why the District Commission has requested any information regarding a specific tenant lease. The Act 250 permit is non-tenant specific and is an amendment to reduce the scope of a previously permitted plaza."

However, Slason did state that NET agreed to provide Wal-Mart with a parking lot ratio of 4.3 parking spaces per 1,000 square feet of gross leasable building area. That translates to roughly 330 parking spaces for the 76,000 square foot building.

Regarding parking time limits and enforcement measures proposed for the plaza and city parking deck, Slason wrote, "Initially, NET plans for a three-hour time limit throughout the lot. NET may even need to have different limits in different portions of the lot."

NET also plans to leave the lower level of the parking deck open for

all-day parking and Wal-Mart employees will be required to park in the parking deck, probably on the top two floors, according to the document.

"NET cannot emphasize strongly enough that as developer of the plaza it must have flexibility with respect to the implementation and enforcement of parking within the plaza," according to Slason. "We respectfully suggest that it would not be appropriate for the District Commission to impose any type of parking restrictions or controls which would affect the plaza tenants or their customers."

The lot is patrolled every day by the Rutland City Police Department parking enforcement officer and on-duty police cruisers, according to a letter submitted to Act 250 officials written by Sternberg.

Sternberg's letter states that according to Police Department records "security incidents in and around the parking deck are at a low level compared with other areas within the city."

Maintenance of the parking deck is provided by the city's Public

Works Department and the deck is cleaned every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, Sternberg wrote.

Also on the issue of downtown parking, a one-page letter provided by Lawrence Dreier, administrator of the Marble Valley Regional Transit District, states that the multi-modal transit center is expected to be substantially complete by late December 1997.

Act 250 officials also requested a plan for the operation of the Farmers' Market held during the summer at nearby Depot Park.

"The Market uses the facility at the discretion of the superintendent of parks," Slason wrote. "In this regard, the parking status of the Farmers' Market is no different than the ethnic festival or sidewalk sales days later in the summer. As special events, they are approved and evaluated on an ongoing basis."

Also including in Monday's filing was \$7,495 for the application fee.

Rec Basketball

The Rutland Recreation Department will be offering two sessions of basketball camp for boys this summer. The first session (June 17-21, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.) is for boys about to enter grades 7-12. The grades 7-8 camp will be held at Leo Keefe Gym, while the grades 9-12 camp will be held at the Rutland High School gym.

Youngsters about to enter the 7th or 8th grade who will still be in school when the first camp begins will be allowed to sign up for the second camp.

The second session is for grades 5-6 (June 24-28, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.) at Leo Keefe Gym.

Camp prices are \$60 for Rutland residents and \$67 for non-residents. There are optional fees of \$6 for t-shirt and \$10 for a ball. Campers may register at the Dana Recreation Center at 39 East Center St.



Sports Scan

Fishing Derby

The Rutland Recreation Department and the Rutland Kiwanis Club will be co-sponsoring a fishing derby for children aged 13 years and under at Combination Pond on Saturday, June 15 from 9 a.m.-noon. Registration is free, and will begin at 8:30 a.m.

A parent must accompany the child. A free lunch will be provided and prizes will be given in various categories.

Workers Notified About Plaza Parking

By FREDERICK BEVER
Herald Staff

Downtown workers got their first taste of a predicted parking crisis Thursday, when some found fliers on their cars warning that every Tuesday this summer, the north end of the downtown shopping plaza would be off-limits for parking.

The Joint Parking Task Force, a group of city officials and business people, placed the fliers on the windshields of cars parked in the plaza's north end.

The notices, embossed with the city seal, said beginning June 11 part of the north end lot would be closed to accommodate farmer's mar-

ket vendors.

The fliers also encouraged use of public transportation, and were accompanied by a brochure detailing parking alternatives in the city.

Currently, the vendors locate next to the lot in Depot Park on Tuesdays. But the city-owned park is due for a makeover this summer, and while construction is under way the vendors will sell their wares from the parking lot.

Bids on the construction job will not be opened June 14. Alderman William F. Gillam, who chairs the parking task force, said the time had come to force downtown workers to change their parking habits.

He noted that when Wal-Mart opens a new store in the plaza's north end this fall, the parking there will become completely unavailable for all-day parking.

Gillam expressed some frustration to the reception his repeated attempts to warn the public about parking problems have received.

On Thursday, Gillam said, he received two obscene telephone calls criticizing the fliers. He called for patience, noting that within two years a new, four-story parking deck should be completed downtown.

"If people are just patient for one more year, we'll get through fine."

Softball Benefit

The fourth annual **Hannaford Softball Tournament** to benefit the Salvation Army will be held the weekend of June 8-9 at the JFC and MF fields in Rutland City.

The first 12 teams will be accepted into this double-elimination event. The cost per team is \$100. Trophies will be awarded to the top three teams, and shirts will be given to the tournament champion.

The event will include a home run derby. Please contact **Rupert** or **Bob** at 775-3460 by June 1st for more information.

Rutland Rec Softball
Men's A: Mintzer Bros. vs. Magoos, MS, 6:30 p.m.
Men's B: BWJR vs. Green Mt. Peddlers, MS, 9:15 p.m.
Parkers Auto/Godnick's vs. Phil's Discount, MF, 6:30
Uncle Sams vs. Jilly's, MS, 7:45
Bargain Country vs. CVPS Rec Club, JFC, 6:30
Albank vs. Ranch Sluggers, MN, 6:30

Youth League

Rutland City Midget League
Elks 16, Kiwanis 7 — Hitting: Team effort.
K of C 7, Rutland Fuel 3 — Hitting stars: Nick Louras and Seth Bride.

Rutland Adult Softball
Women's A: Magoos vs. BRP/The Inn, MS, 6:30 p.m.
Women's B: CVPS/Fabians vs. Ryan, Smith & Carbine, NE
Men's B: Lindholm's vs. Mr. C's, MS, 7:45 p.m.
Men's B: Center St. Saloon vs. Jilly's, MF
Men's C: CJ's No. 1 vs. Two Sheas, JFC
Men's C: CVPS Rec Club vs. CJ's No. 2, MS, 9:15 p.m.

Youth Leagues

Rutland Midget League
K of C, 14, First Vermont 1. Fielding star — Tyler Rock. Hitting star — Justin Cannon.
IAAF 14, Suburban Propane 8. Winning pitcher — Craig Barbaggio. Hitting stars — Brent Adams and Anthony Mainolfi.

Midget League

Rutland City Midget League		
	W	L
IAFF	1	0
Suburban Propane	1	0
K of C	1	0
Rotary South	0	0
Elks	0	0
Kiwanis	0	0
Rutland Fuel	0	0
First Vermont Bank	0	0
Eagles	0	1
Moose	0	1
Edson Raiders	0	1

Adult Softball
Women's B: Club Rio 17, Cripple Creek 8
Men's B: Reos 14, Jilly's 7
Men's C: Feds 6, Tyler's Team 2
Rutland Midget League
KofC 5, Eagles 0
Winning Pitcher: Kyle Bedard. Hitting Star: Jesse Lawrence.

Midget League

Rutland City Midget League		
	W	L
K of C	4	0
IAFF	2	0
Suburban Propane	2	1
Rotary South	2	1
Eagles	2	1
Edson Raiders	2	2
Kiwanis	1	1
Elks	1	2
First Vermont Bank	0	1
Moose	0	3
Rutland Fuel	0	3

Rutland Adult Softball
Women's A: Magoos vs. BRP/The Inn, MS, 6:30 p.m.
Women's B: CVPS/Fabians vs. Ryan, Smith & Carbine, NE
Men's B: Lindholm's vs. Mr. C's, MS, 7:45 p.m.
Men's B: Center St. Saloon vs. Jilly's, MF
Men's C: CJ's No. 1 vs. Two Sheas, JFC
Men's C: CVPS Rec Club vs. CJ's No. 2, MS, 9:15 p.m.

Youth Leagues

Rutland City Midget League
Eagles Club 7, Rutland Fuel 4. Winning Pitcher — Ross Campbell. Hitting Stars — George Cesarski and Mike Delehanty.
Kiwanis 16, Rotary South 15. Winning Pitcher — Tommy Coppock. Hitting stars — Annie Coppock and Paul Magro.

Youth Leagues

Rutland City Midget League
Rotary South 10, Rutland Fuel 3. WP — Jason Fair. Hitting star — Jason Fair with a three-run homer.
Edson's Raiders 16, Moose 0. WP — Brad Basso. Hitting stars — Team effort.

Senior Citizens

The Rutland Council of Senior Citizens will have their regular meeting at the Godnick Adult Center Tuesday, May 28. The meeting will be preceded by a bag lunch and it will be followed by entertainment.

Monday's Results

Playoff Games
See pairings
Rutland Rec Softball
Friday's Late Games
Men's A: KC's Tavern 20, Johnson's Energy/Sabby's 8
Men's B: Lindholm Sports 7, The Nailers 6
Monday's Results
Women's A: Jilly's vs. two Sheas, cancelled
Women's B: Ryan Smith and Carbine 8, Cripple Creek 4
Men's A: Dart Mini Mart 15, KC's Tavern 3
Men's B: Uncle Sam's 10, The Nailers 4
Men's C: Bargain Country vs. Club Rio, ppd.
Men's D: American Legion 1, Albank 0

Tuesday's Games

Playoff Games
See Pairings
Golf
Boys State Championships at Ralph Myhre, 10 a.m.

Rutland Rec Softball
Women's A: Mintzer Brothers vs. MacLeod's, MS 9:15 p.m.
Women's B: Hogge Penny Inn vs. Green Mountain Peddlers, MS 6:30 p.m.
Men's A: Keith's II vs. Farrell's Distributing, Gio 6:30 p.m.
Men's B: Mr. C's vs. Jilly's, MF 6:30 p.m.
Men's C: CJ 1 vs. Phillips N' Sons, MS 7:45 p.m.
Men's D: Cripple Creek vs. Buccaneers, JFC 6:30 p.m.
Men's D: American Legion vs. Magoos, MN 6:30 p.m.

Youth Leagues

Rutland City Midget League
Knights of Columbus 9, Suburban Propane 2. Total Team Effort
Eagles 9, Kiwanis 6. Winning Pitcher: George Cesarski. Hitting Stars: Ira White and Phil Charles

Tuesday's Results

Playoff Games
See Pairings
Rutland Rec Softball
Women's B: Green Mountain Peddlers 8, Hogge Penny Inn 6
Men's A: Keith's II 13, Farrell's Distributing 12
Men's B: Mr. C's 12, Jilly's 7
Men's D: Cripple Creek 9, Buccaneers 0
Men's D: Magoos 4, American Legion 3

Wednesday's Events

Playoff Games
See Pairings
Rutland Rec Softball
Women's A: Waynes Body Shop vs. BRP/The Inn, MS 9:15 p.m.
Women's A: Jilly's vs. Two Sheas, MN 6:30 p.m.
Women's B: Jilly's vs. WJFR, MS 6:30 p.m.
Men's A: Carey's Auto vs. Parkers Auto/Godnick's, Gio
Men's B: Lindholm Sports vs. Mountain Thread N Shred, MF 6:30 p.m.
Men's C: Two Sheas vs. CJ's 2, MS 7:45 p.m.
Men's D: VAC vs. Pizza Delight, JFC 6:30 p.m.

Monday's Events

Playoff Games
See pairings
Rutland Rec Softball
Women's A: Jilly's vs. two Sheas, MS, 9:15 p.m.
Women's B: Cripple Creek vs. Ryan, Smith & Carbine, MS, 6:30 p.m.
Men's A: Dart Mini Mart vs. KC's Tavern, Gio, 6:30 p.m.
Men's B: Uncle Sam's vs. The Nailers, MF, 6:30 p.m.
Men's C: Bargain Country vs. Club Rio, MS, 7:45 p.m.
Men's D: American Legion vs. Albank, JFC, 6:30 p.m.

Youth Leagues

Rutland City Midget League
IAFF 5, Rutland Fuel 0. Winning Pitcher: Craig Barbaggio. Hitting Stars: Nate Graham and Jon Bruno.

Proctor Youth League
Proctor A's 8, Barstow Marlins 1. Winning pitcher: Kevin Canly. Hitting stars: Andrew Buggiani, home run; Zake Thibault, game-winning RBI.

Midget League

Rutland City Midget League Standings	
K of C 8-0	
IAFF 6-1	
Eagles 5-2	
Rotary South 4-3	
Edson Raiders 3-4	
Elks 3-4	
Rutland Fuel 3-4	
Suburban Propane 2-4	
Kiwanis 2-5	
Moose 1-5	
First Vermont Bank 0-5	

Youth Leagues

City Little League
IAFF 14, Elks 4. Key Hitters: Chris Adams, Matt Marsh, Bill Lezzer.
Rutland Town Red Sox 6, Rutland Town Giants 5. Winning Pitcher: Macky McLeod. Hitting Stars: Kyle Eastman (two-run homer), Shane Forguites (winning hit) and Chad Drake (three-run triple)

Youth Leagues

Town and Country Little League
Proctor A's 11, Rutland Town Rangers 6. Winning Pitcher: James Bayon. Hitting Stars: Andrew Thibault, Kevin Brough and Kenny Crowningshield (game-winning hit).

Rutland Midget League
Eagles 13, Rotary South 4. Winning pitcher — Russ Campbell. Hitting stars — Team effort.
Edson's Raiders 9, First Vermont Bank 6. Winning Pitcher: Ken LaBate. Hitting Stars: team effort.

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MAGOO'S	3	1	WJJR	4	1
ALBANK	3	2	CVPS/FABIANS	4	2
AMERICAN LEGION	3	3	GREEN MTN PEDDLERS	3	3
V.A.C.	2	3	RYAN, SMITH, & CARBINE	3	3
BUCCANEERS	2	4	HODGE PENNY INN	1	5
RANCH SLUGGERS	0	6	CRIPPLE CREEK	1	6
			JILLY'S	0	6

RUTLAND REC. SOFTBALL

JULY SCHEDULE

MEN'S "A" LEAGUE

1. DART MINI MART
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4. JOHNSON ENERGY/SABBY'S
5. KC'S TAVERN
6. PARKER'S AUTO/GODNICKS
7. KEITH'S II
8. PHIL'S DISCOUNT



DATE	DAY	HOME	VS	VISITOR	FIELD	TIME
7/1	M	6		5	JFC	6:30P
7/2	T	2		1	JFC	6:30P
7/3	W	8		7	JFC	6:30P
7/4	TH		OFF	JULY 4TH		
7/5	F	4		3	JFC	6:30P
7/8	M	3		1	MS	6:30P
7/9	T	7		5	MS	6:30P
7/10	W	8		6	MS	6:30P
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7/15	M	1		8	GIO	6:30P
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7/22	M	6		3	MS	9:15P
7/23	T	5		1	MS	9:15P
7/24	W	8		4	MS	9:15P
7/25	TH	2		7	MS	9:15P
7/26	F		NO	GAMES		
7/29	M	3		8	JFC	6:30P
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1	BROOMSTICKS	142 56	1	KC'S	136 62
2	SAMS	140 58	2	BROOMSTICKS #4	126 72
3	BROOMSTICKS #2	133 65	3	3 D'S #3	119 79
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5	ITALIAN CLUB	107 91	5	TWO SHEA'S	111 87
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KEITH II/JILLEY'S	4	2
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PARKERS AUTO/GODNICK	2	3
PHILS DISCOUN'T	2	4
JOHNSON ENERGY/SABBYS	1	5

MENS "B"

UNCLE SAM'S	5	0
GE - YELLOW JACKETS	5	2
3 D'S	4	2
REDS	4	2
MR. C'S	3	3
MTN THREAD & SHREAD	3	2
CENTER ST SALOON	2	4
LIND HOLMES SPORTS CTR	2	5
THE NAILERS	2	4
JILLY'S	0	6

MENS "C"

FED'S	4	1
CJ'S #2	4	2
CVPS REC. CLUB	4	2
TYLER'S TEAM	4	2
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TWO SHEA'S	3	3
BARGAIN COUNTRY	3	4
CJ'S #1	3	5
RENEGADES	2	3
CLUB RIO	1	6

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JILLY'S	5	1
TWO SHEA'S	5	1
MINTZER BROS.	4	3
CJ'S	3	2
BRP/THE INN	3	4
TAPAS	2	4
WAYNE" BODY SHOP	2	4
MAGOO'S	2	4
MCLEODS	0	6

RUTLAND CITY MIDGET LEAGUE

K of C	9	1
IAFF	8	1
EAGLES	6	4
RUTLAND FUEL	6	4
EDSON RAIDERS	6	4
SUBURAN PROPANE	5	4
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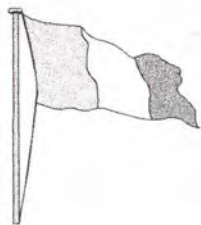
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Youth Leagues

Little League
Rutland Town Yankees 15, Proctor A's 10 (Wednesday night). Winning pitcher — Tom Enman. Hitting stars — Nick Marro with two triples, Mike Sabatino and Jason Latterell with triples.
West Rutland Little League
Giants 9, Braves 1. Winning pitcher — Matt Muro. Hitting stars — Mike Converse.
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Mill River 11, Arlington 7. Winning pitcher — Dylan Aines. Hitting stars — Justin Pili, Matt Esslinger, and Will Gage. 6-28

Junior League

Junior Baseball League registration is on-going at the Rutland Recreation & Parks Department on Dana Ave. The program is for players aged 13-14. The fee is \$25. Registration takes place from 8:30 a.m.-noon and 1 p.m.-5 p.m. 6/28

Day Campers

The Rutland Recreation Department still has some openings available for its summer daycamps. **Camp Pinehill** is for children entering grades 4-6 and 12 year olds while **Camp Danamore** is for kids going into grades 1-3. The session dates are July 8-19, July 22-Aug. 2 and Aug. 5-16 and the camp directors are **Steve Marro**, **Jessica Wolch** and **Jim Lehman**. Interested participants are asked to sign up at the Dana Recreation Center.

Rec Soccer

The last two weeks of the Rutland Recreation Department's Under 8 and 10 soccer program will be held at Msgr. Connor Park on June 29 and July 6 at the noon times. The department apologizes for the inconvenience caused on June 8 due to a softball tournament.

THINGS TO DO

Downtown Farmers Market

Rutland, Food, flowers, crafts and more, plaza parking lot, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; Middlebury, Food, flowers, vegetables and more, by the falls, Marbleworks Shopping District, 9 a.m.-noon.

Friday's Results

Legion Baseball
Bellows Falls/Chester Tournament
Brattleboro 1, Windsor 0
Torrington, Ct. 6, Bellows Falls 4
St. Johnsbury 6, Chester 4
South Royalton 9, Bennington 2
Rutland Adult Softball
Thursday's Late Games
Men's C: Bargain Country 13, Two Sheas 2
Men's D: Pizza Delight 22, Ranch Sluggers 8
Friday's Results
Women's A: Bud Light 22, MacLeod's 1
Men's B: Min. Thread & Shred 6, The Nailers 3
Men's C: Phillips & Sons 5, Feds 4
Men's D: Cripple Creek 5, Magoo's 4 6/29

Sports Scan

Rec Programs

6/29
Programs offered by the Rutland Recreation Department in July: **Baseball Camp** for children aged 9-12, July 8-11 at Msgr. Connor Park. Directed by Stan Blicharz, the camp runs from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. with a fee of \$40 for city residents and \$47 for non-residents. There is an optional fee of \$6 for a ball and cap;

Girls Basketball Camp for girls entering grades 7-12, at Leo Keefe Gym. The camp runs from July 8-12, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. and is directed by Steve Allen. The fee is \$60 for residents and \$67 for non-residents. There are optional fees of \$6 for a T-shirt and \$10 for a ball;

Tennis Camp for children aged 7-14, from July 8-12 and 15-19 at Rotary Park, 9 a.m.-noon. The camp is directed by Bruce White. The fee is \$35 for residents and \$42 for non-residents, with an optional fee of \$6 for a T-shirt;

In-Line Skating Camp for children entering grades 1-12, July 8-12, 9 a.m.-noon, 1 p.m.-4 p.m. at Zero Gravity Park. The instructor is David Goodspeed. The fee is \$45 for residents and \$52 for non-residents, with an optional fee of \$7 for a T-shirt;

Mountain Biking Sports Camp for children aged 9-18, July 8-12, 8:30 a.m.-noon at Giorgetti Park. The instructor is David Goodspeed. The fee is \$45 for residents and \$52 for non-residents, with an optional fee of \$7 for a T-shirt.

Registration for all programs will be at the recreation center on Dana Ave.

Youth Leagues

6/29
Rutland City Midget League
Rutland Fuel 5, Eagles 4. Winning Pitcher: Darby Simonds. Hitting Stars: Matt Sarault (double, triple and three RBI).
Kiwanis 15, Rotary South 6. Winning Pitcher: Craig McLaughlin. Hitting Stars: Craig McLaughlin, Katie Ahern and David Sternberg.

Today

THINGS TO DO

Downtown Farmers Market

Rutland, Food, flowers, crafts and more, plaza parking lot, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; Middlebury, Food, flowers, vegetables and more, by the falls, Marbleworks Shopping District, 9 a.m.-noon.

Council on Aging

A senior advocate for the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging, will be available to do a personalized free and confidential benefit assessment at two locations this week. Individuals 60 and older who live on limited income will be eligible for state or federal programs that can help pay for food, housing, medical bills and other expenses. The first session is scheduled for Poultney, Monday July 8, at the Town Office Meeting Room, from 1 to 3:30 p.m. The second session will be held Wednesday, July 10, at the Godnick Center on Deer Street, from 9:30 to noon. Call the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging at 786-5991 or 1-800-642-5119 for more information.

Highlights for the week of June 24-28 at Godnick Adult Center are:

Monday: 7 a.m., golf at Rutland Country Club; 9 a.m., resident registration begins for bus trip to Rockingham Park; 9:30 a.m., exercise; 10:30 a.m., piano; 12:30 p.m., canasta; 1:15 p.m. Bingo.

Tuesday: 8 a.m., tennis at White's; 9:30 a.m., line dancing; 11 a.m., Mayor's Walk in Center Street Alley, 1 p.m., bridge, poker and Country Crafters; 5 p.m., Senior Council.

Wednesday: 9:30 a.m., exercise and shuffleboard; 9:30 a.m., softball; 12:30 p.m., foot care; 1 p.m., pinochle.

Thursday: 9:30 a.m. folk dance; 10 a.m., canasta and blood pressure clinic at Pleasant Manor; 1 p.m., poker; 1:15 p.m., bingo; 7 p.m., Marble Valley Bridge Club.

Friday: 10 a.m., piano; 11 a.m., piano; 1 p.m., whist and bridge; 1:30 p.m., chorus.

Meals are served Monday through Thursday at 11:45 a.m. The van is available for rides from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Call 773-1853.

Senior Citizen Council

Rutland Council of Senior Citizens will hold its next regular meeting and catered supper Tuesday, June 25, at 5 p.m. at Godnick Adult Center. A social will follow the meeting.

Monday's Events

Legion Baseball
Rutland vs. Bellows Falls at Ludlow, 7:30 p.m.
Rutland Adult Softball
Women's A: Bud Light vs. Tapa, Gio
Women's B: Hogge Penny vs. Cotrupi's, MN
Men's A: Parker's Auto/Godnick's vs. Dart Mart, MS, 6:30 p.m.
Men's B: Lindholm's vs. 3D's, JFC
Men's C: C.J.'s No. 1 vs. Tyler's Team, MS, 9:15 p.m.
Men's D: Albark vs. Cripple Creek, MS, 7:45 p.m.

Rutland Adult Softball
Women's A: Bud Light 14, Tapa 2
Women's B: Cotrupi's 15, Hogge Penny 3
Men's A: Parker's Auto/Godnick's 16, Dart Mart 13
Men's B: Lindholm's 10, 3D's 3
Men's D: Cripple Creek 22, Albark 4

Tuesday's Events

Legion Baseball
Bennington at Chester, 6 p.m.
South Royalton at Hartford, 6 p.m.
Bellows Falls at Brattleboro, 6 p.m.
NY/Penn Baseball
Hudson Valley at Vermont
Rutland Adult Softball
Women's A: MacLeod's vs. BRP/The Inn, Gio
Women's B: Green Mtn. Peddlers vs. Cripple Creek, MN
Men's A: Johnson Energy/Sabby's vs. Keith's II, MS, 6:30 p.m.
Men's B: Mr. C's vs. Reds, JFC
Men's C: Club Rio vs. C.J.'s No. 2, MS, 9:15 p.m.
Men's D: American Legion vs. Buccaneers, MS, 7:45 p.m.

Youth Leagues

Rutland City Midget League
IAFF 19, Moose 1. Winning Pitcher: Nate Graham. Hitting Stars: Matt Marsh and Craig Barbagallo.
Suburban Propane 7, Edison's Raiders 6. Winning Pitcher: Brian Firllet. Hitting Stars: Mike Pratt and C.J. Sullivan. Defensive Star: Ryan Sharp.
Junior Babe Ruth
Castleton 14, Proctor 13. Winning Pitcher: Matt Wood. Hitting Stars: team effort.
Fair Haven 10, Manchester 8. Winning Pitcher: Billy Canfield. Hitting Stars: Steven Murphy (4-for-4) and John Rogers (game-winning RBI).
Rutland Town 12, Mill River II 5. Winning pitcher — Peter Naveschuk. Hitting stars — James Thompson and John Pisanelli.

Today

THINGS TO DO

Downtown Farmers Market
Rutland, Food, flowers, crafts and more, plaza parking lot, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Noon Concert

Rutland, Wayne Canney performs in Center Street Alley, noon-1 p.m.

City May Rent Classroom To Private School

Mountain View Wants to Add Grades 7-8 at Dana Classroom

By KEVIN O'CONNOR
Herald Staff

Rutland public schools are considering a request from the private Mountain View Community School to rent space at the city's Dana building.

Parents who head the 40-student Mountain View elementary program at 34 Meadow St. want to rent one Dana school classroom for the addition of middle grades 7-8.

Rutland public schools are leasing the unused Dana building to the city Recreation Department in a \$1-a-year, three-year agreement. The recreation department is allowed to sublet the building, pending tenant approval by the School Board.

The board has approved the rental of Dana space to the nonprofit Killington Music Festival and Retired Senior Volunteer Program, both which pay the cost of heat and electricity.

Mountain View parents believe their program meets rental criteria calling for tenants to be nonprofit and serving a diverse population. As a result, they thought their request would be the stuff of a rubber stamp.

Instead, the city School Board went into a closed-door session for a half hour Tuesday night after debate and an 8-2 vote on whether to do so. Members emerged to recommend the city school superintendent meet with Mountain View parents to refine a proposal.

"That's all I can say at this point," School Board President Michael Dick said.

Before Tuesday's board action, Mountain View parents said they had been offered a classroom for \$250 a month. Whether that figure holds presumably will be discussed by parents, the recreation department and incoming city school Superintendent David Wolk.

Wolk will take over July 1 from retiring Superintendent W. Richard Brothers. Brothers thanked colleagues and the community Tuesday night for the numerous accolades he has received in recent weeks.

"None of that has been accomplished by me alone," he said at his last board meeting. "I retire with no regrets or second thoughts. ... For the very last time, a very sincere thank you for the opportunity to serve you."

Tomorrow

THINGS TO DO

Noon Concert

Rutland, Mike Kelley performs in Center Street Alley, noon-1 p.m.

Rutland Adult Softball
Monday's Late Game
Men's C: Tyler's 26, C.J.'s 115
Tuesday's Games
Women's B: Cripple Creek 12, Green Mtn. Peddlers 5
Men's A: Keith's II 17, Johnson Energy/Sabby's 7
Men's B: Reds 15, Mr. C's 9
Men's C: Feds 12, Two Sheas 8

Wednesday's Events

Legion Baseball
Granville at Rutland, 6 p.m.
Hartford at Windsor, 6 p.m.
Fair Haven at Addison, 6 p.m.
Barre at Bellows Falls, 6 p.m.
NY/Penn Baseball
New Jersey at Vermont
Rutland Adult Softball
Women's A: Jilly's vs. Magoo's, Gio
Women's B: CVPS/Fabion's vs. WJRR, MN
Men's A: Carey's Auto vs. KC's, MS, 6:30 p.m.
Men's B: Uncle Sam's vs. Center St. Saloon, JFC
Men's C: Renegades vs. CVPS Rec Club, MS, 9:15 p.m.
Men's D: Magoo's vs. VAC, MS, 7:45 p.m.

Youth Leagues

Rutland City Midget League
Rutland Fuel 11, Kwanis 1. Winning Pitcher — Darby Simonds. Hitting Stars — Matt Sarault, Chris Colton and Andy Simonds.
Town and Country Little League
Rutland Town Giants 11, Barston Badgers 3. Winning Pitcher — Greg Lewis. Hitting Stars — Sam Conway and Seth Piontek.
Senior Babe Ruth
Ludlow 9, Rutland VFW 8. Winning Pitcher — Lief Goddard. Hitting Stars — team effort.
Mill River 8, West Rutland 7. Winning Pitcher — Jamie White. Hitting Stars — John Turgeon, Steve Coote and Mike Rau.
Junior Babe Ruth
Mill River I 17, Pittsford 8 (Monday night). Winning pitcher — Chris Williams.

Thursday's Events

Legion Baseball
Brattleboro at Windsor, 6 p.m.
Chester at Hartford, 6 p.m.
Fair Haven at Granville, 6 p.m.
NY/Penn Baseball
New Jersey at Vermont
Rutland Adult Softball
Women's A: Wayne's Body Shop vs. Mintzer Brothers, Gio
Women's B: Club Rio vs. Ryan, Smith & Carbine, MN
Men's A: Phil's Discount vs. Farrell's/Bud Light, MS, 6:30 p.m.
Men's B: G.E. Yellow Jackets vs. Jilly's, JFC
Men's C: Two Sheas vs. Bargain Country, MS, 9:15 p.m.
Men's D: Ranch Sluggers vs. Pizza Delight, MS, 7:45 p.m.

Youth Leagues

Rutland City Midget League
Eagles 4, K of C 1. Winning pitcher: George Ciesarski. Hitting stars: Jimmy Palluto, Brett Porter. IAFF 25, First Vermont 2. Hitting stars — Bill Lezzer, Ian Harper and Matt Marsh.
Proctor Youth League
Proctor Red Sox 19, Barstow Red Sox 8. Winning pitcher — Greg Eastman. Hitting stars — Nate Shaner, and Brian Perkins with two doubles.
Junior Babe Ruth
Rutland Town 11, Proctor 9. Winning pitcher — Evan Hurley. Hitting stars — Tony Deangelis and John Pisanelli.
Manchester 21, Mill River II 9. Winning pitcher — Rob Gaiotti. Hitting stars — Andrew Zoufaly, Rock Dailey and Travis Frost.
Ludlow 10, Mill River I 3. Winning pitcher — Chris Strong. Hitting stars — Sean Gurdak, 3 hits, 3 RBI.
Arlington 16, Fair Haven 4. Winning pitcher — Tom Sheldon. Hitting stars — Team effort.
Rutland Rotary South 12, Castleton 7. Winning pitcher — Ronan Daley. Hitting stars — Team effort.

Today

THINGS TO DO

Noon Concert

Rutland, Mike Kelley performs in Center Street Alley, noon-1 p.m.

Ethnic

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German potato latkes, and Keiko VanGuilder would make Japanese gyoza (dumplings).

Henne, a Rutland volunteer, demonstrated how to grate potatoes — or apples or coconut or sweet potatoes, instead of or in addition to the potatoes. She mixed them with egg and flour before deep-frying the mix in a skillet. He said he was "European in general," when asked if he was German.

"My family is a large number of different things," he said.

As for the exact, traditional, authentic latke recipe, Henne said: "You do what looks good in the bowl. You do what looks good in the pan. If you're lucky, you're lucky."

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The Rutland Area Mentoring Program had on hand Scottish shortbread, Greek baklava (honey layered with thin dough), German pfefferneuse (spicy cookies covered with sugar), Italian anise cookies, Danish pastries, and orange-and-pecan drops from the Bay of Fundy area of Canada.

The Rutland Area Food Co-op chose to go Indian, using recipes from Harish Johari's book on the healing art of Ayurvedic cooking, and chef Rebecca Jeran-Ruben said next year she might try recipes from her family's Slovene background.

There is even a new Rutland restaurant that since February has been capitalizing on the region's well-known affinity for cultural and cross-cultural cooking. Tapas, which takes its name from a kind of Spanish pub where in the late afternoon people go to "graze" on many different dishes, serves a wide variety of small meals, so that groups especially can share their tastes for alimentary adventure.

Head chef Patrick Kennedy said their area's ethnic diversity was definitely in owner Patty Sabotka's thinking when she started the venture. "It's working out well," he said.

But the festival wasn't all mix-and-match. Nemio Holmes of Granville, N.Y., said she and her family

were making the rounds of festivals and fairs with their native Filipino dishes, which expanded Rutlanders' vocabularies with such words as puto (steamed muffin) and lumpia (egg roll).

Damaris Hall, a Kenyan now married to an American and living in White River Junction, brought Tastes of Africa, such as irio (potato, spinach, peas, corn), pillau (ginger, rice, peas), and dangu (mung beans, turmeric, and other spices). Helen Snyder of Florence was a crowd favorite with recipes she learned from her Jewish mother: kacha varnishkes (bow tie noodles, buckwheat groats, cracked corn), luchen kugel (noodle pudding) and regelach (cookies).

Even the area's politicians had to get into the act. The Rutland County Republicans had left themselves open to comments about cultural insensitivity, not to mention Polish jokes, by combining Polish kielbasa with German sauerkraut. The Democrats were hawking pizzelles, Italian waffle cookies, which led to comments about the President's leadership style.

It was all in good taste, so to speak, or at least in fun. At the Finnish-American Society's booth, there was a poster that shed some light on the kind of occasion the Ethnic Festival really is.

In Scandinavian and other European countries, it pointed out, June 24 is Midsummer Night, known also as St. John the Baptist Day, Juhannus (in Finland), and St. Jean Baptiste (in France). In other words, this was the time of year traditionally known for Midsummer Madness, which in Finland took the form of two days for baking a lot of goodies, going to the shore, building bonfires, merrymaking, dancing, and staying up all night.

In northern countries, where the winter days are shorter and the summer days are even longer than here, such festivals come more naturally. But Rutland's burgeoning tradition perhaps shows there's place for something like Midsummer Night in Vermont.

Here, midsummer madness seems to take hold in the culinary realm above all. As Jeran-Ruben said, "Food is the essence of life."

Rutland Adult Softball
Monday's Late Games
Women's A: Bud Light 15, Magoos 2
Men's A: KC's Tavern 15, Phils Discount 9
Tuesday's Results
Women's B: WJUR 15, Hogge Penny Inn 2
Men's A: Farrell's Bud Light 15, Carey's Auto 14
Men's B: Mountain Thread-N-Shred 10, Mr. C's 2
Men's C: Tyler's Team 15, Club Rio 3
Men's D: Buccaneers 28, Ranch Sluggers 8
N.Y.-Penn League
Pittsfield at Vt. Expos 7:05 p.m.

Wednesday's Events

Legion Baseball
Windsor at Chester 6 p.m.
High School Golf
New England 10 a.m.
Rutland Rec Softball
Women's A: Two Sheas vs. BRP/The Inn, MS 9:15 p.m.
Women's B: Cripple Creek vs. Club Rio, MF 6:30 p.m.
Men's A: Dart Mini Mart vs. Johnson Energy, MS 7:45 p.m.
Men's B: Uncle Sams vs. Reds, Gio 6:30 p.m.
Men's C: Renegades vs. Bargain Country, JFC 6:30 p.m.
Men's D: Albark vs. VAC, MS 6:30 p.m.
N.Y.-Penn League
Pittsfield at Vt. Expos 7:05 p.m.

Youth Leagues

Rutland City Midget League
First Vermont Bank 5, Moose 3 — Winning pitcher: Mike Seager. Save: Ted Siemucha. Hitting: Team effort.
Edson Raiders 13, Kiwanis 10 — Winning pitcher: Brad Basso. Hitting stars: Dan Fitzgerald and Ken LaBate.
Senior Babe Ruth
Fair Haven 10, Manchester 9. Winning Pitcher: Josh Frost. Fielding Star: Lee Jamison.
West Rutland 12, Floodbrook 7. Winning Pitcher: Brian Gudelis. Hitting Star: Brian Gudelis.
Local 1201 9, Otter Valley 8. Winning Pitcher: Jared Alexander. Hitting Stars: Matt Shortle, Matt Waterman and David Seely.
Mill River 15, Rutland VFW 2. Winning Pitcher: Jamie White. Hitting Stars: Team effort.
Ludlow 9, Rutland Town 7. Winning Pitcher: Jason Marino. Hitting Stars: Silas Fuller (home run) and Jesse Sheehan (home run).

Rutland Rec Softball
Women's B: Club Rio 13, Cripple Creek 3
Men's B: Uncle Sams 10, Reds 9
Men's C: Renegades 14, Bargain Country 1
Men's D: Albark 14, VAC 2
N.Y.-Penn League
Pittsfield at Vt. Expos 7:05 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Legion Baseball
Addison at Rutland 6 p.m.
Granville at Fair Haven 6 p.m.
Rutland Adult Softball
Women's A: Tapa's vs. MacLeod's, MS, 9:15 p.m.
Women's B: Cotrupi's vs. Jilly's, MF
Women's C: CVPS/Fabians vs. Cripple Creek, MS 6:30 p.m.
Men's A: Parker's Auto/Godnick's vs. Keith's II, MS, 7:45 p.m.
Men's B: The Nailers vs. Jilly's, Gio
Men's C: Feds vs. CJ's No. 2, JFC
N.Y.-Penn League
Vermont Expos at New Jersey 6:20

Youth Leagues

Rutland City Midget League
Suburban Propane 4, Eagles 3 (8 innings). Winning Pitcher: Ryan Sharp. Hitting Stars: C.J. Sullivan (game-winning hit). Total team effort
Proctor Youth League
Proctor A's 14, Barstow Red Sox 10. Winning Pitcher: Kevin Canty. Hitting Stars: Kenny Crowningshield, Michael Smith and Kevin Brough.
Junior Babe Ruth
Post 31 6, Mill River 5. Winning Pitcher: Scott Drew (13 strikeouts). Hitting Star: Joe Brown (game-winning RBI).
Fair Haven 9, Rutland Town 7. Winning Pitcher: Darwin Dockum. Hitting Star: Adam Colley.

Youth Leagues

Junior Babe Ruth
Mill River 11, Castleton 10 (Saturday). Winning pitcher — Nick DePalo.

Youth Leagues

Rutland County Jr. League
Proctor 7, Ludlow 6 — Winning pitcher: Mike Fredette. Hitting star: Edward Upson (3-for-3.)
Rutland County Sr. League
Fair Haven 10, Poulney 2 — Winning pitcher: Josh Frost. Hitting: Team effort.
Rutland City Midget League
Elks 11, Edson Raiders 8 — Winning pitchers: Colin Temple and Nicole Adams. Hitting star: Jordan Fitzgerald and Brian Kussell.
Elks 26, First Vermont Bank 15 — Winning pitchers: Jordan Fitzgerald and Brian Kussell. Hitting stars: Nicole Adams and Adam McIntire.

Midget Standings

Rutland City Midget League
Baseball Standings
As of June 28
IAFF 11-1
K of C 9-2
Rutland Fuel 8-4
Eagles 7-5
Edson Raiders 6-5
Elks 4-6
Rotary South 4-7
Kiwanis 3-10
Moose 1-7
First Vermont Bank 1-9

Tomorrow

THINGS TO DO

Noon Concert

Rutland, Bruce White performs in Center Street Alley, noon-1 p.m.

Compassionate Friends

Rutland, Group offers friendship and understanding to bereaved parents, RRMC conference room 3, 7-9 p.m., 775-5795.

Downtown Farmers Market

Rutland, Food, flowers, crafts and more, plaza parking lot, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

A Fest Of Food And Frolic

Thousands Turn Out For Annual Ethnic Celebration

By ED BARNA
Correspondent

It's been said that the first thing every immigrant group does upon arriving in America is open restaurants.

That's not a bad strategy. For a sense of community, there must be a sense of communion, and communion is a meal.

On Saturday, the Fifth Annual Ethnic Festival in Rutland was a perfect example of how the way to another culture's heart can be through its stomach. Thousands gathered around the Rutland City parking deck and the large stage tent erected next to it to stuff themselves with ethnic food, regale themselves with ethnic music, purchase ethnic crafts and, for the children, to enjoy a variety of ethnic play.

Just how many thousands was impossible to gauge, according to Ann Singiser, director of the sponsoring Rutland Area Cultural Alliance. Those who paid the \$2 fee did so by donation, and many just walked in.

Last year, Singiser said, they estimated that about 5,000 people had come — one reason the Vermont Chamber of Commerce put the event on its top 10 events list for this summer. On Saturday, despite the rain that began around noon, more than 1,000 people turned out within the first 90 minutes, and Singiser expected the event to be the best ever.

Several vendors who had been to previous Ethnic Festivals also said the crowd was larger than in the past. If Hank Huntoon of Brandon is any indication, next year may be even better.

Huntoon, a first-timer, said: "I had been reluctant about coming down, but I think this is fantastic. The food is great. You meet a lot of old friends."

"I can't believe they have this Peruvian thing," Huntoon said, speaking of the Andes music group Inca Son, whose distinctive flute, percussion and vocal sounds were filling the air.



Three women start a hora to the music of Nicht Gerferlach Klezmer Band during the Rutland Ethnic Festival.

Later would come Eastern European Jewish klezmer music from Vermont's Nisht Gerferlach Klezmer Band, Irish and Celtic music from Vermont's Wood's Tea Company and Ethiopian music from Vermont's New Nile Orchestra.

If Vermont is increasingly diverse ethnically, Rutland is especially so, due to the way successive immigrant groups arrived to work in the marble and slate industries. Jolly Sinha, a recent immigrant from India who came as a statistician for the Rutland Regional Planning Commission, researched ethnic backgrounds three years ago and came up with the following statistics:

Those of mainly English descent only accounted for 18 percent of the county's population, Sinha found. French ancestry characterized 17 percent, the Irish were at 16 percent, German and Italian heritage held for 8 percent, and 33 percent

were in that All-American category "Other."

While some festival booths featured dishes native to the creators' countries of origin, many others offered tidbits from several cultures.

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The Burnham Hollow Store from Mendon, which won the festival's award for best ethnic display, was tended by Mary Genovesi and Marilyn Garland, both of whom were dolled up in frilly red-and-black French peasant dresses. Their names may not have been French, but by late afternoon they were flat out of bittersweet chocolate mousse with rum, fruit tarts and crumpets.

At the Vermont Folklife Center's ethnic cooking demonstration area, Cheryl Hooker was to demonstrate how to cook pizzelles (Italian waffle cookies); Marie O'Byrne was down for Irish tea treats; Lou Henne,

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Mary Lou Marcell-Cameron offers a bite of her Cajun crayfish to Stacy Dyer. Ethnic foods were a big part of the event.

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**Farm to Family
Coupon Sign-Up**

**DOWNTOWN
FARMER'S MARKET**

Today & Tuesday, 9am-3pm
Depot Park, Downtown Rutland

Bedding Plants	Home Baked Goods
Perennials	Vermont Cheddar Cheese
Hanging Baskets	Apple Cider
Maple Syrup	100's of Hand-Crafted
Jams & Jellies	Items
Honey	Lettuce

Tomorrow

6/24

THINGS TO DO

Downtown Farmers Market
Rutland, Food, flowers, crafts and more,
plaza parking lot, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Noon Concert
Rutland, Wayne Canney performs in Center
Street Alley, noon-1 p.m.



Staff Photo by L.B. Carp

Garden in the Park

Heidi Bruce (right), of Burnham Enterprises in Wallingford, tends marigolds, petunias and other annuals Sunday at "Garden in the Park" at Main Street Park in Rutland. The two-day event featured lectures, displays, programs and more.

Sports Scan

Rec Programs

The Rutland Recreation Department is forming a **men's adult summer basketball league**, with play beginning on July 2. The games will take place through Aug. 22 at MSGR, Connor Park on Meadow St., with 6 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. as starting times.

Teams interested in entering should pick up rosters at the recreation office on Dana Ave. between 1 p.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday. The sponsor fee is \$300 per team, and each player must pay a \$15 tax. Rosters and fees must be returned to the office before June 27. All team members must sign the roster before they can play in a game. Games will be held every Tuesday and every other Thursday.

Also, the department is sponsoring informal **adult volleyball** Tuesday nights at Connor Park. Pick-up games will be held from 6 p.m. until dusk. The program is free and will run until mid-September, weather permitting.

For more information on these programs, contact the recreation office at 773-1822.

Rutland Adult Softball

Women's A: Jilly's vs. Mintzer Brothers, MS, 9:15 p.m.

Women's A: Magoos vs. MacLeods, MN 6:30 p.m.

Men's A: Carey's Auto 15, Johnsons Energy/Sabby's 7

Men's A: Phils Discount 14, Keith's II/Jilly's 10

Men's B: GE Yellow Jackets 10, 3D's 3

Men's C: Phillips & Sons 13, Two Shea's 6

Men's C: C.J.'s No. 1 vs. Club Rio, MS, 7:45 p.m.

Late Thursday Games

Keith's II/Jilly's 9, Parker Auto 7

MacLeod's 5, Tappas 1

N.Y. Penn

Vermont at New Jersey

Youth Leagues

Rutland City Midget League

Eagles 20, First Vermont Bank 2 — Winning pitcher: Phillip Charles. Hitting stars: Jeremy Pelistri and Stephen Bloomer.

Rutland Fuel 5, K of C 4 — Winning pitcher: Carl Massie. Hitting star: Matt Sarault.

Proctor Youth League

Proctor Red Sox 5, Rutland Red Sox 2 — Winning pitcher: John Biro. Hitting stars: Biro and Jeremy Roberts.

Rutland County Jr. League

Pittsford 11, Rutland Town 2 — Winning pitcher: Richard Elnicki (11 strikeouts.) Hitting: Team effort.

Manchester 8, Ludlow 1 — Winning pitcher: Rob Gaiotti. Outstanding players: Ricky Dailey and Andrew Zoufaly.

Town & Country Little League

Rutland Town Giants 13, Rutland Town Yankees 7 — Winning pitcher: Greg Walcott. Hitting stars: Jake Conway (game-winning homer) and Evan Freedom (winning hit).

Midget Standings

Rutland City Midget League

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Street Gang Active In Rutland Region, According to Police

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The Los Solidos street gang remains active in Rutland City and some core members who left the area over the winter have returned with the warmer weather, police say.

"They are still here, they are still here in numbers and they are growing," said Rutland City Police Detective Raymond LaMoria, a member of a regional task force on gang activity.

LaMoria said many of the core group police identified last summer as members or close affiliates of the gang — many of them Massachusetts natives — have returned to the Rutland area after spending some time away over the winter.

Exceptions are two men who are no longer living in Rutland but who visit occasionally, he said.

What's changed, LaMoria said, are their residences, which are now more spread out throughout the county. Also, LaMoria said, gang members are no longer as overt about their activities or insignia.

Monsignor Connor Park, which

LaMoria said was, once a popular hangout for gang members and a site of gang meetings, has not re-emerged as a central gathering place this year, he said.

"We think they've gotten kind of wise to our stuff ... they've gone kind of underground," he said.

LaMoria said not all of the local youths who forged ties to the gang last summer have continued those loyalties, but others continue to be recruited or befriended.

"Some of them have gotten away from it, but it seems there's more taking their place," he said. Others have stuck by the gang and its members for the past year and are "right in tight" with the group, LaMoria said.

LaMoria said the task force was "investigating criminal activity" on the part of gang members but wouldn't comment further on that matter.

He did describe one search warrant executed recently at the Clarendon home of several people who he said were known to associate with Solidos members. LaMoria

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said police seized a small amount of prescription drugs at the home and cited one man to appear in court for possessing them.

On the wall of the home, LaMoria said, police spotted a framed piece of art that showed a joker wearing a mask that bore a slight frown. Theater masks bearing both happy and sad faces are a Los Solidos symbol, police say.

A woman at the home claimed the picture was a gift from her boyfriend and said she knew nothing about its meaning, according to police.

LaMoria said a number of gang members remain in jail, including Edwin Rodriguez, who was sentenced in January to serve six months to two years in custody for a felony marijuana possession charge. Rodriguez has denied gang membership.

The detective said a recent Department of Corrections survey showed evidence of gang activity in jail and evidence of gang organizing behind bars.

Michael O'Malley, the director of security for the corrections department, said the review was funded by a federal grant and con-

ducted by the former director of the National Major Gang Task Force.

That consultant was brought to four jails — Rutland, St. Albans, South Burlington and Woodstock — where he found evidence of the presence of gangs at all four facilities based on "obscure graffiti" scratched into materials such as plastic glass in the facilities, O'Malley said.

Some of the graffiti dated back many years, O'Malley said. Insignia found included those of the Los Solidos, the Dirty White Boys, the Latin Kings, the Aryan Brotherhood and "old biker gangs," he said.

Sightings of "active gang activity" were confined to questions raised by the consultant about some rosary beads possessed by inmates "that were colored in a manner that might represent some gang," O'Malley said.

He said the corrections department was currently reviewing its policies about gangs, taking a look at how to track identified gang members in the system, and how to develop "a network of information and intelligence to ensure they don't become an issue within our prisons."

Rutland Adult Softball
Women's A: Bud Light vs. Magoos, MS, 9:15 p.m.
Women's A: Tapas 17, BRP/The End 13
Women's B: CVPS/Fabians 12, Ryan, Smith and Carbine 8
Men's A: Phil's Discount vs. KC's Tavern, MS, 7:45 p.m.
Men's B: Center St. Saloon 11, Lindholm Sport Center 6
Men's C: CJ's 16, CVPS Rec Club 1
Men's D: Pizza Delight 15, American Legion 5

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Tuesday's Games

Legion Baseball

Rutland at Fair Haven, 6 p.m.
Bellows Falls at Hartford, 6 p.m.

Rutland Adult Softball

Women's A: Wayne's Body Shop vs. CJ's, MS, 9:15 p.m.
Women's B: WJUR vs. Hogge Penny Inn, MF, 6:30 p.m.
Men's A: Farrell's Bud Light vs. Carey's Auto, MS, 7:45 p.m.
Men's B: Mr. C's vs. Mountain Thread-N-Shred, Gio, 6:30 p.m.
Men's C: Tyler's Team vs. Club Rio, JFC, 6:30 p.m.
Men's D: Ranch Sluggers vs. Buccaneers, MS, 6:30 p.m.

Youth Leagues

Rutland County Senior League

Local 1201 8, Ludlow 5 — Winning pitcher: Matt Shortle. Hitting stars: Shortle, Brian Lane and Josh Sharon.

Mill River 6, Fair Haven 3 — Winning pitcher: Dillon Aimes. Hitting stars: Michael Rau and Matt Esslinger.

Rutland County Junior League

Mill River 19, Rutland Expos 3 — Winning pitcher: Scott Walcott. Hitting stars: team effort with four batters getting three hits each.

Fair Haven 6, Castleton 5 — Winning pitcher: Beau Birney. Hitting stars: Adam Colley (game-winning RBI).

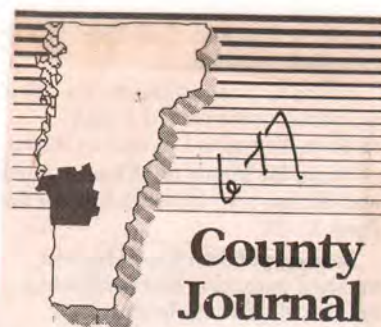
Manchester 9, Pittsford 3 — Winning pitcher: Andrew Zoufaly. Hitting stars: Travis Frost (3-for-3), Post 31 10, Arlington 9 — Winning pitcher: Chris Graves. Hitting stars: Andy Morgan, Anders Colburn.

Rutland City Little League

IAFF 10, Rotary South 3 — Winning pitcher: Craig Barbaggio. Hitting stars: Nate Graham (3-for-3) and Ian Harper (2-for-3, 2 RBI).

Rutland Midget League

Rutland Fuel 7, Elks 4 — Winning pitcher: Kyle Massey. Hitting stars: Darby Simonds, Clay Gilligan and Gerry Barber (two RBI each).



Aldermen Reduce Budget Significantly

Aldermanic committees attacked the proposed \$11 million 1997 municipal budget with zest this week, cutting \$170,000 in three days of work, as well as correcting a \$207,000 error.

The Public Works Committee was the most active, paring \$154,000 from Superintendent of Public Works Warren Conner's proposals for various sub-budgets in his department.

Those cuts came in areas such as management salaries, the purchase of items such as a pickup truck or pumps, and postponing the city's tree planting program. The committee also excised a \$207,000 item in the water treatment budget that Treasurer Ronald J. Graves said was mistakenly included.

Later in the week, the Recreation Committee cut \$14,000 from that department's budget, and the General Committee cut a proposed raise in pay for the Board of Aldermen.

The board has been given a mandate by Mayor Jeffrey N. Wennberg to make broad cuts in the proposed budget, which could hike municipal taxes by 7 cents per \$100 assessed property value.

Committee meetings continue next week, with the Public Safety Committee meeting Tuesday likely to produce significant cuts in the police department budget.

Zero Gravity A Great Facility

To Mayor Jeff Wennberg:

We would like to express our support for the Zero Gravity Skate Park at the Giorgetti Park Pavilion in Rutland. We feel this is a worthwhile place for rollerbladers, skateboarders and bike riders.

While other cities and towns are concerned with these activities on their streets, Rutland is fortunate to have a well-run, safe place for young people and adults to go to enjoy these sports. We have also observed people have come from other areas, such as Albany, to take advantage of the Zero Gravity facility because they do not have such an opportunity in their area.

Those who operate Zero Gravity are to be commended for the effort they have put in to developing the skate park and the professional, yet personal, way they run it.

TOM and ANDREA McQUADE
Mendon

Team Extreme Will Offer Demonstration

There will be a special demonstration by the Zero Gravity Skate Park, Team Extreme, at the American Cancer Society Relay for Life Saturday, June 22, starting at 1:30 p.m. in the parking lot in front of the Stafford Tech Center on Woodstock Avenue. The relay itself runs from 10 a.m. until 10 p.m.

Team Extreme, a demo trick team, showcases the exciting sports of aggressive inline skating, skateboarding and BMX biking. The Team Extreme demo mission is to present to the community the positive sides of these modern, urban youth activities.

Team Extreme takes these spectator-friendly sports and features the skills, balance and conditioning in a fun-filled, energy-packed show. Using a variety of rails, ramps, pipes and jumps, members of Team Extreme perform a wide assortment of grinds, slides, spins, tricks and big-air jumps.

If you're interested in learning about any of these sports, or if you just want to watch an exciting demonstration of action, come to the Team Extreme demo at the American Cancer Society Relay for Life.